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To our Customers and Friends:

We take great pleasure in presenting herewith our catalog for 1954, in which is listed some three hundred varieties of gladiolus covering a wide range of colors in all size groups. Our list containing the best of the newer and older domestic, as well as many outstanding European and Australian originations are designed to meet the tastes of all glad growers from novice to professional.

Despite an unusually dry season, we have had a very successful growing season. An indication of the quality of our blooms, lies in the fact that our display in the 1953 New England Gladiolus Society Show at Boston received the Massachusetts Horticultural Society's Gold Medal, of which we are very proud.

This year we planted all our bulbs on our new farm I bought to replace the two farms which I had been using in the past. It certainly is the best investment I have made. It is just the right kind of soil for growing top quality bulbs. Our crop of bulbs is the finest and largest we have ever produced; the stock being exceptionally clean, free of disease and thrips. Should you favor us with an order, you will be assured of receiving top quality, young high-crowned bulbs, carefully selected and guaranteed true to name. However, in anticipation of continued heavy demand for our quality bulbs, we strongly urge your prompt action in placing orders to avoid possible future disappointment in not being able to get the variety or size bulbs you want. Orders will positively be set aside in the order received and held for shipment when you want them.

We welcome your personal visits to our house and farm so you may see my methods of culture and the kind of stock we grow and be able to select the varieties you like best. We are especially anxious for you to inspect the Bulb House in which we take special pride. We hope you will not hesitate to ask for any information you desire.

With sincere thanks for your confidence in BIRCHVILLE GARDENS as evidenced by your past patronage, and with best wishes for a very successful season in 1954, I am

Sincerely yours,

JAMES A. MILO

## **BUSINESS TERMS** **(Please Read Carefully)**

We will not substitute varieties or sizes unless your order specifically instructs us to do so. It is advisable to specify a second choice of variety or size, particularly if your order is placed late in the season.

Due to costs involved, we cannot accept any orders totalling less than \$2.50.

No orders will be accepted for less than the smallest unit listed in the retail list for each variety, except that when the smallest unit listed is ten, five bulbs will be sold at one-half the ten rate. Where bulbs are priced singly, ten bulbs will be sold at the price for eight. One hundred bulbs will be sold at eight times the price for ten.

All retail orders will be sent prepaid to all points in the United States.

Orders in the amount of \$5.00 or more accompanied by cash in full amount, will entitle purchaser to select additional bulbs of their own choosing in the amount of 10% extra. This premium offer, however does **not** apply to Collections, Special Offers, Wholesale Orders or 1954 Introductions from Birchville Gardens or from other growers or originators.

### **Notice to Canadian Customers**

All Canadian orders must be accompanied by import permit. Apply to the Division of Plant Protection, Science Service, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada for permit and mailing label, for bulbs and bulblets. No permit required for seeds.

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### **SPECIAL NOTICE**

Due to the continued and rapid expansion of our mailing list of persons requesting copies of our catalog and the mounting costs involved in getting out a catalog of this type, it has been necessary for us to adopt the policy of forwarding catalogs only to those on our mailing list from whom we have received orders for bulbs within the last three years.





**WHITE EXCELSIOR**



**MISSION BELLS**



## **1954 INTRODUCTIONS**

**(Descriptions are those of the Originator or Introducer)**

### **FROM ARTHUR A. ARENIUS**

#### **TAN-GLO (Arenius 54) (480) (90 days) Seedling 48348**

A clear pastel tan with a rosy tint that should easily win in the smoky class and become one of the most outstanding show winners. It will open 8 to 11. The 5¼ inch blooms are perfectly placed on a 28 inch flowerhead with 22-24 buds. A strong healthy grower with spikes of 60 inches tall. TAN-GLO is a fast propagator. We are much taken by its fine clean color and its most reliable production of show caliber spikes.

Its major show winnings to date include — Champion seedling and Grand Champion of the show—Glen Falls 1952, Champion seedling at Connecticut 1953, and Champion 5 spike seedling at Binghamton 1953.

For those interested the parentage of TAN-GLO is Connecticut Yankee & Elizabeth The Queen.

Prices for 1954: \$3.00 Each, any size bulb. Bulblets—.50 Each

Special Unit offer 1 bulb and 10 bulblets for \$6.00

Growers Unit offer 15 bulbs and 75 bulblets for \$50.00

3 Fifty Dollar Units for \$125.00

#### **WHITE SALES (Arenius 54) (401) (85 days) Seedling 48199**

A heavy textured ruffled pure white with distinctive fuschia spears on the bottom petals. We are particularly enthusiastic about the commercial qualities of WHITE SAILS and have found our florists to be of the same opinion. It will open 8-9 blooms in perfect placement on a 26 inch flowerhead with 20-22 buds. Size of florets are close to 5 inches. Plant growth is very heavy and healthy with rugged attachment making for good handling qualities.

Major show winnings to date include — American Home Achievement Award at Maine 1952, Champion seedling at Maine 1953 with a score of 93. Runner up to Champion seedling at Boston 1953 with a score of 89.

Prices for 1954: \$2.00 Each, any size bulb. Bulblets .40 Each

Special Unit offer 1 bulb and 10 bulblets for \$4.50

Growers Unit offer 25 bulbs and 100 bulblets for \$50.00

3 Fifty Dollar Units for \$125.00

#### **CONTRAST (Arenius 54) (417) (80 days) Seedling 4842**

A distinctive and appealing novelty that instantly attracts attention whenever seen with its clear buff color offset by a prominent rose purple throat. It will open 7-8 4 inch blooms on a 24 inch flowerhead having 18-20 buds. About 52 inches overall. Good easy growth from all sizes.

Prices for 1954: \$2.00 Each, any size bulb. Bulblets .40 Each

Special Unit offer 1 bulb and 10 bulblets for \$4.50

Growers Unit offer 25 bulbs and 100 bulblets for \$50.00

3 Fifty Dollar Units for \$125.00

## **TED WOODS 1954 INTRODUCTION**

### **WAX CANARY**

Again we give you a Glad that will please you. In the same class as Rosita, Falcon, Anne Sherman, Connie G., Adorable and others of our orginations. Wax Canary has been grown by several nationally known gladiolus growers throughout the country and is strongly recommended for release. A basket of Wax Canary shown at the Central International in Chicago created a sensation. Nothing like it on the market today in its color range for beauty and growth. Field height over 60 inches with a 30 inch flowerhead. Florets are 5 inches, 20 to 22 buds with 7 or more open in field. Very healthy. Color is light salmon in center blending to deeper Salmon at outer edges with soft yellow lip. Petals are fluted and needlepointed with heavy texture. It has the appearance of being waxed. Wax Canary does not crook or burn. Excellent bulb production and germination. Wax Canary is another top-notch, and a good investment as stock is short. It is a wonderful commercial and exhibition variety. Blooms in about 80 days.

	Large	Medium	Small	Bulblets
Price each	\$3.00	\$2.00	\$1.00	\$.75
Price per 10	22.50	15.00	7.50	5.00
Price per 100				48.00

GARDENER'S UNIT—3 large, 3 medium, 3 small and 25 bulblets ..... \$21.50

GROWER'S UNIT—10 large, 10 medium, 10 small and 150 bulblets ..... \$100.00



### **MISSION BELLS**

A sister seedling of Heirloom, that grows taller and has longer flowerheads. A lightly ruffled lavender with white mid ribs that opens 8 to 10 florets on a tall spike of 22-24 buds. The 4½ inch florets are firmly attached. Mission Bells is a heavy producer of bulblets that germinate easily making good size bulbs.

Mission Bells is early and should become a good commercial, and will prove valuable for Hybridizers as it is producing outstanding seedlings.

In three years of growing the only fault we have noticed is some misplacing of florets. Plants of Mission Bells have strong healthy foilage some what like White Gold.

Mission Bells received an A rating in Binghamton in 1950, and was greatly admired at the Boston Show this season where we showed a large basket under the name Early Girl.

Price for 1954: Any size bulb .50 Each.

Special offer: 4 Large, 4 Medium, 4 Small, 25 Bulblets — \$5.00



## **CLASSIFICATION OF VARIETIES**

Variety descriptions contained herein are, where such information is available, preceded by data designed to acquaint prospective buyers with certain pertinent information regarding the particular variety.

### **ORIGINATOR AND YEAR OF INTRODUCTION:**

Following the name of the variety, are given the name of the originator and the year the variety was first introduced for sale.

### **SIZE AND COLOR CLASSIFICATION:**

The next three figures designate the floret size and color classification as adopted by the North American Gladiolus Council. The first digit indicates the floret size while the last two digits indicate the color classification.

#### **FLORET SIZES:**

- 100 — Florets under 2½ inches.
- 200 — Florets 2½ inches thru 3¼ inches.
- 300 — Florets above 3¼ inches thru 4¾ inches.
- 400 — Florets 4½ inches thru 5¾ inches.
- 500 — Florets 5-1/5 inches and larger.

#### **COLOR CLASSIFICATION:**

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|--|---------------------|
| 00 — White                                       | 40 — Pink (Light)   |
| 06 — Cream                                       | 42 — Pink (Deep)    |
| 10 — Yellow (Light)                              | 50 — Red (Light)    |
| 12 — Yellow (Dark)                               | 52 — Red (Deep)     |
| 16 — Buff  | 54 — Red (Black)    |
| 20 — Orange (Light)                              | 60 — Rose (Light)   |
| 22 — Orange (Deep)                               | 62 — Rose (Deep)    |
| 24 — Orange (Red-Orange)                         | 66 — Lavender       |
| 30 — Salmon (Light)                              | 70 — Purple         |
| 32 — Salmon (Deep)                               | 76 — Violet (Light) |
| 36 — Scarlet                                     | 78 — Violet (Deep)  |
| 80 — Smoky Shades (Orange, Salmon, Pink and Red) |                     |
| 86 — Smoky Shades (Lavender and/or Rose)         |                     |
| 90 — Any Other Color; poly-chromes               |                     |

Color class numbers 01, 07, 11, 13, 17, 21, 23, 25, 31, 33, 37, 41, 43, 51, 55, 61, 63, 65, 69, 77 and 79 indicate conspicuous markings such as darker blotches and feathers for the color (indicated by number) immediately preceding those odd numbers, as shown on the color table above.

#### **BLOOMING DATE:**

The set of figures following the floret size and color classification, indicate the number of growing days required from planting to date of blooming. The number of days to bloom is usually figured for large bulbs. Medium size bulbs usually require from five to seven days longer to bloom. Because of variations in climate, the number of days for a particular variety to bloom may vary by several days. However, the listed blooming dates will give a fair approximation of what to expect of a variety.

By way of explanation, Large bulbs are 1¼" in diameter and larger and produce the largest spikes. Medium bulbs are ¾" to 1¼" in diameter and produce excellent spikes, often as big as large, but somewhat later. Small bulbs are ¼" to ¾" in diameter and most always bloom, but with smaller sized spikes.

**GENERAL LIST**

	UNIT PRICES					
	Bulbs			Bulblets		
	Unit	Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>ADORABLE</b> (Woods 49) 561—80	1	.25	.20	2-.25	15	.25
A delicate pink with a slight lavender cast, with a fuschia color marking on the lower petal, florets are needle pointed type, with 22 buds on a 28 inch flowerhead and 6 to 8 open.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	1.00
<b>ALICE AYER</b> (Benidict 47) 400—90	2	.30	3-.25	4-.25	25	.25
A large white, sixty inch spike, 27 inch flowerhead opens 7 well placed 5 inch blooms, 22 buds, that are well attached. This can take all kinds of weather. Should be better known.	10	1.20	.70	.50	100	.80
<b>ALOHA</b> (Graff 50) 516	1	.60	.40	.25	10	.50
Tall growing apricot color with lighter throat. A strong grower. Straight wiry spikes with good placement.	10	4.50	3.00	2.00	100	3.50
<b>AMERICAN BEAUTY</b> (Barrett 48) 464—80	2	.30	2-.20	5-.25	25	.25
Medium deep rose with deeper throat several shades deeper than Miss Wisconsin. Heavily ruffled. Grows to a height of 60 inches, carrying 20 buds on a 22-inch flowerhead, opening 7 to 8 five inch florets.	10	1.20	.80	.40	100	.75
<b>ANDRENA</b> (Armstrong 50) 460—85	1	.35	.20	2-.25	20	.25
Certainly one of the most beautiful. A lovely light orchid with a large creamy white center. 7 or 8 ruffled florets of good size are open at once on good straight spikes. Propagation and germination are very good.	10	2.80	1.60	1.00	100	1.00
<b>ANN SHERMAN</b> (Woods 51) 540—75	1	.75	.50	.25	10	.50
Beautiful clear shell pink with raised white midrib. It has 20-22 buds with 7 open and 10 showing color. The 5½" florets are firmly attached to a 60 inch spike. Heavily ruffled and fluted, which adds tremendously to its beauty. Winner of many awards at the shows.	10	6.00	4.00	2.00	100	3.00



SEND YOUR ORDER AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. PLEASE SUGGEST ONE OR TWO  
SECOND CHOICES WE MAY SEND IF SOLD OUT OF ANY VARIETIES.

# BIRCHVILLE GARDENS

PLAINVILLE, CONNECTICUT

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REMARKS:



# BIRCHVILLE GARDENS — Plainville, Connecticut

	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>ARISTOCRAT</b> (Salman 50) 464—85	2	.30	2-.20	5-.25	25	.20
Very tall Purplish wine-red that gets lighter at the edges. Has leathery textured florets on a strong spike. Will be a heavy winner at the shows.	10	1.20	.80	.40	100	.60
<b>ATATURK</b> (Salman 51) 354—75	2	.30	3-.25	—	50	.30
Very deep black Red with velvety glow; almost black in full sunlight. Certainly one of the best in this color, grows tall with 6 open. Visitors to the gardens like this one.	10	1.20	.70	.50	100	.50
<b>ATTITASH</b> (Kelly 49) 461—85	1	.40	.30	.20	25	.25
This one is really different and in my opinion the best novelty glad. Very tall rosy lavender with small white blotch. Opens 7, 4½ to 5 inch florets on a 20 bud spike. Very tall grower, better try Attitash.	10	3.20	2.40	1.60	100	.75
<b>BARBARA B.</b> (Van Voorhis 52) 462—75	1	1.00	.65	.35	2	.25
Bright medium rose with large white throat blotch. Flowerhead 22 inches with 7 open on a 20 bud spike. The 5 inch florets are firmly attached. If you like novelty glads, I am certain you will like this one.	10	8.00	5.20	2.80	10	1.00
<b>BENARES</b> (K. & M. 52) 543—85	2	.30	2-.20	4-.25	—	—
One of the pleasant surprises of the 1953 season. A clear deep pink with carmine throat feathers. Opens 6-8 firmly attached large florets on a tall spike. One of the best, both for shows and cut-flowers.	10	1.20	.80	.50	Pkg.	.30
<b>BLACK CHERRY</b> (Rich 48) 554—85	1	.40	.30	.20	10	.40
Tall dark red, growing 50 inches or more. Flowerheads are 24 inches in length, carrying 18 to 20 buds. Opens 6-8 six inch blooms. A heavy show winner and good increaser.	10	3.00	2.40	1.60	100	3.00
<b>BLUE BONNET</b> (Beardmore 48) 476—80	1	.25	2-.30	3-.30	25	.25
A clear medium shade of blue with a rosy red throat. It opens up to 7 well placed florets on a good spike. The color is pure and clean. Most promising among the blues. Growth is vigorous and disease-free. One you will like. Voted most popular variety at Connecticut show in 1953.	10	2.00	1.20	.80	100	.75



# BIRCHVILLE GARDENS — Plainville, Connecticut

	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>BLUE DEVIL</b> (Larus 51) 479—75	1	2.00	1.50	1.00	1	.30
Clear, deep violet with a rose blotch on a conspicuous white throat. Tall, vigorous grower that does not crook. Opens 8 well placed florets on a 20 bud spike. This attracts a lot of attention and is one that you will not want to miss. Limited amount of stock.	10	16.00	12.00	8.00	10	2.40
<b>BUCCHERINI</b> (K. & M. 50) 423—75	1	.25	2-.30	3-.30	25	.25
Beautiful salmon orange that is one of the finest new varieties. The large wide open florets are firmly attached to a tall strong stem with excellent placement.	10	2.00	1.20	.80	100	.75
<b>BOISE BELLE</b> (Roberts 48) 433—98	1	.25	2-.30	3-.25	15	.25
A unique novelty and show glad distinctly different. One of my favorites. Opens up to 10 very heavily ruffled florets that have a leathery texture. Medium pink at the edges blending to a light yellow throat. A champion at shows and a wonderful cut-flower.	10	2.00	1.20	.75	100	1.50
<b>BOLDFACE</b> (Evans 47) 533—82	1	.20	2-.30	3-.30	25	.25
Striking deep salmon pink with black red brush mark on clean white throat. Opens 8 five inch blooms on a tall spike. Has a fine show record, and looks like the best variety from Evans.	10	1.60	1.20	.80	100	.75
<b>BONNIE LASS</b> (Rich 51) 466—85	1	.50	.40	.30	10	.50
Pure orchid lavender, with a white blotch diffused into lavender on a single lip petal. Opens 8 frilled florets on a 60 inch spike. The 5 inch florets are firmly attached. This has all the earmarks of a good commercial and show glad.	10	4.00	3.20	2.40	100	3.00
<b>BRIDAL ORCHID</b> (Carlson 50) 566—85	1	.25	.20	2-.25	15	.25
A vigorous pastel lavender that opens up to 10 on a 22-24 bud flowerhead. This is a heavy show winner, but flecks badly at least 80% of the time here.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	1.25

## KAREN SPECIAL FOR 1954

5 Large, 5 Medium, 10 Small, 100 Bulblets for ONLY \$30.00  
 1 Large, 1 Medium, 2 Small, 10 Bulblets for ONLY \$ 6.00

# BIRCHVILLE GARDENS — Plainville, Connecticut

	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>CALEIDOSCOPE</b>	1	.40	.30	2-.30	10	.25
An extremely attractive variety, quite distinct from other smokies. The color is a combination of salmon-orange in a spotted mixture, with an underground of pale yellow. A seedling of Mother Machree and a grand variety.	10	3.20	2.40	1.20	100	2.00
<b>CAPELLA</b> (Chase 48) 530—85	1	.25	.20	2-.25	15	.25
Very tall strong growing light cream suffused with faint pink. Opens up to 9 very large florets with 5 showing color. This is a beautiful variety but does some crooking. A sure winner when at its best.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	1.25
<b>CAPTAIN KIDD</b> (Roberts 50) 452—80	1	.50	.35	.20	10	.30
A rich deep red. Not quite a black-red. A fine glad that stands up well in all kinds of weather. A tall grower with 7 slightly frilled florets of large size open on a 24 inch flowerhead.	10	4.00	2.80	1.60	100	2.00
<b>CHANTILLY</b> (Graff 46) 541—90	1	.30	.20	2-.25	10	.20
La France pink, that opens 8 to 10 wide 5 to 5½ inch florets in perfect placement. Grows tall and straight with 20 buds. Has been Grand Champion. Stock is very scarce.	10	2.40	1.60	1.00	100	1.50
<b>CHINOOK</b> (Lines 49) 532—85	1	.50	.35	.20	10	.25
Beautiful orange pink that opens 7 very large lightly frilled florets on a very long flowerhead with 19 buds. Certainly one of the very best. One that we recommend.	10	4.00	2.80	1.60	100	2.00
<b>CIRCE</b> (K. & M. 49) 523—85	1	.25	.20	2-.25	25	.25
This early variety is russet-orange color with a deeper red blotch and creamy yellow band. 18 bud spikes with 6 open. The florets are well placed and firmly attached to a well balanced spike. Strong grower.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	.75



# BIRCHVILLE GARDENS — Plainville, Connecticut

	Unit	Bulbs		Small	Bulblets	
		Large	Med.		Unit	
<b>CLARENCE D. FORTNAM</b>	1	.50	.35	.20	10	.50
(Kadel 50) 440—90	10	4.00	2.80	1.60	100	4.00
Beautiful blush pink that opens 8 on a 24 bud spike. The 5 inch florets are heavily ruffled and needlepointed. Florets have good attachment and firm substance. This is a wonderful show variety winning many times as most beautiful.						
<b>COACHMAN</b> (Woods 49) 430—85	1	.25	.20	2-.25	10	.25
A pleasing pure pink, with white mid-ribs. The petals are recurved and ruffled. Opens up to 10 on a 26 bud spike. Certainly one of the very best show and commercial varieties. Stem could be a little longer.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	1.50
<b>COLUMBIA</b> (Roberts 51) 407—86	1	.50	.35	.20	10	.30
Very near the color of Corona with the exception that the halo is more uniform. Opens 8 firmly well placed florets on a 24 to 26 inch flowerhead. This one is going places as a show variety, and will become one of the finest commercials. Winston Roberts is to be congratulated for this one.	10	4.00	2.80	1.60	100	2.40
<b>CONNIE G.</b> (Woods 48) 506—75	1	.25	.20	2-.25	25	.25
Very outstanding new cream with heavily ruffled 6 inch florets. Opens 8 to 10 on a 20 to 22 bud spike that grows 55 to 60 inches tall. You will be thrilled when you grow Connie G. It is the most beautiful cream you have ever beheld.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	.75
<b>CRIMSON TIDE</b> (Roberts 45) 452—90	1	.25	.20	—	10	.25
Beautiful deep rich velvety crimson red with exceptionally heavy substance. 5 to 7 large ruffled open blooms are firmly attached on tall spikes. One of my favorites.	10	2.00	1.60	—	100	2.00
<b>CROWN JEWEL</b> (Fischer 51) 467—70	1	.40	.30	.20	10	.25
A stunning blotch lavender, bordering to rose pink. Something entirely different. Will be a marvelous basket glad. Spikes carry 18 buds, opening 7 to 8. Bulblets are extra strong growers.	10	3.20	2.40	1.60	100	2.00

# BIRCHVILLE GARDENS — Plainville, Connecticut

	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>CYNTHIA</b> (Graff 49) 410—75	1	.30	.20	2-.25	10	.25
A dependable early yellow, should be a good commercial. Opens 6 florets of 4½" size on an 18 bud spike. Produces disease resistant bulbs and is a good increaser.	10	2.40	1.60	1.00	—	—
<b>DARK DAVID</b> (Morgan 51) 554—90	1	.50	.35	.25	10	.25
Dark David is head and shoulders ahead of any other maroon gladiolus that I know of. One of the few meritorious 500 size glads in its color class at the present time. Dark David will open eight 5½ inch florets at once. A wonderful grower, approaching five feet; and a consistent producer of show spikes. Splendid propagator.	10	4.00	2.80	2.00	100	2.00
<b>DAYBREAK</b> (Harris 50) 516—80	1	.30	.20	2-.25	10	.25
A buffy cream with mauve lines that grows up to 56" tall. Opens 8 on a 20 bud spike. Always straight with perfect placement and good attachment. A coming commercial.	10	2.40	1.60	1.00	100	2.00
<b>DIXIE MAID</b> (E. B. Snyder 53) 430—80	1	1.00	.75	.50	2	.25
Tall light salmon with cream throat. Grows 60 inches tall with 8 five inch florets opened on an 18 bud spike. Has good facing, attachment, substance and has a 26 inch flowerhead. A top commercial and show variety.	10	8.00	6.00	4.00	10	1.00
					100	8.00
<b>DOLLY VARDEN</b> (Harris 50) 533—95	1	.35	.25	.15	10	.25
A blazing salmon with a cream throat. Nine large 6½ inch florets open 7 showing color on a 21 bud spike, with a 26 inch flowerhead. One that you should start as it will be one of the best cut-flowers, and a show variety.	10	2.80	2.00	1.20	100	2.00
<b>EDGEWOOD</b> (Flad - Torie 51) 461—85	1	.75	.50	.35	10	.75
Beautiful tall medium rose with rose lavender feather. Opens 8 lightly ruffled blooms on a 20 bud spike. This has been the sensation of the mid-west shows for the past 2 years and is really a fine variety.						





**VALDA**



**VALENTINE**

**BIRCHVILLE GARDENS — Plainville, Connecticut**

	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>EDITH WARR</b> (Warr 52) 542—75	1	1.50	1.00	.50	2	.25
Said to be the perfect pink gladiolus, simply huge, with 6 inch florets that opens 8 with 6 showing color. One of the strongest growers. Has wonderful foilage and strong stem with long flowerhead. Better get a start now.	10	12.00	8.00	4.00	10	1.00
					100	8.00
<b>ELMER'S ROSE</b> (Fischer 51) 462—85	1	.40	.30	.20	10	.25
A contemporary of the famous Noweta Rose, but coming from the reverse cross, and more on the rose shade. Elmer's Rose has wonderful substance, intense ruffling and sends up stretchy flowerheads, carrying 22 to 24 buds. Its color is wonderful.	10	3.20	2.40	1.60	100	2.00
<b>ERIDGE</b> (Visse ) 476—70	1	1.50	1.00	.75	2	.25
A very tall violet with real blue cast, throat has a deeper blue shading. Looks like one of the best in this difficult color. Will open 6-7 on a 21 bud stem. A distinctive glad. Good grower and propagator.					10	1.00
<b>FALCON</b> (Woods 49) 567—80	1	.25	.20	2-.25	10	.25
A very pleasing lavender. Opens 6 on a 20 bud spike. Florets are heavily ruffled and fluted. A variety that has won about every prize given at shows. A Champion for show and one of the best commercial varieties.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	2.00
<b>FIRELIGHT</b> (Kelly 49) 436—72	1	.25	.20	2-.25	25	.25
Tall deep scarlet. Opens 7 five inch florets on an 18-20 bud spike. Grows up to 60 inches with a 25-28 inch flowerhead. This is very good and should be better known. One of the finest, cutting 100% good spikes.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	.75
<b>FOLKLORE</b> (Butt 49) 462—75	1	.25	.20	2-.25	15	.25
Certainly one of the finest, one that I highly recommend you try. Folklore is a vivid shade of rose pink with a large creamy white center. 8 open on a 20 bud spike. Good florist variety.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	1.50



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	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>FORMALITY</b> (Kadel 50) 366—88	1	.25	2-.30	3-.25	10	.25
A blush lavender with a cream throat. The 4" florets are well placed with 8-10 open. The 24" flowerhead carries 22 buds. Will be hard to beat in its class. Has won all sorts of awards.	10	2.00	1.20	.70	100	2.00
<b>FORSYTHIA</b> (Harris 52) 512—85	1	.75	.50	.25	5	.25
This looks like one of the finest yellows in commerce. It is a tall grower that opens 6-8 well placed florets on a well balanced spike. It is ruffled and fluted and a healthy grower. One that I strongly recommend.	10	6.00	4.00	2.00	10	.40
					100	3.20
<b>FORT KNOX</b> (Torrie 53) 412—80	1	1.25	.75	.50	2	.30
This lovely new yellow was one of the pleasant surprises of the 1953 season. A true rival of Gold for color, with many more buds and longer flower head. 6-8 large ruffled florets of heavy substance open on tall stems. Will be a great commercial and show glad.					10	1.25
<b>FRANCESCA</b> (Toben 50) 566—90	1	1.00	.60	.40	10	.50
Ruffled light lavender rose blending to a cream throat. Francesco can be one of the sensations of any garden or show. A reliable producer of tall straight spikes with 7-8 perfectly placed and strongly attached blooms open at once. Wonderful commercial and show glad.	10	8.00	4.80	3.20	100	4.00
<b>FRASER</b> (Harris 50) 432—90	1	.50	.35	.25	5	.30
Heavily ruffled deep salmon. Very strong grower with 8 well placed florets open on a medium tall spike. A poor grower from bulblets.					10	.50
					100	4.00
<b>GAIL</b> (Farrington 49) 466—80	1	.25	.20	2-.25	10	.25
Tall lavender, opening 7 to 9 florets of excellent attachment. It grows tall and stretchy and never crooks or flakes. Will become a very popular commercial, as it handles very well.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	2.00

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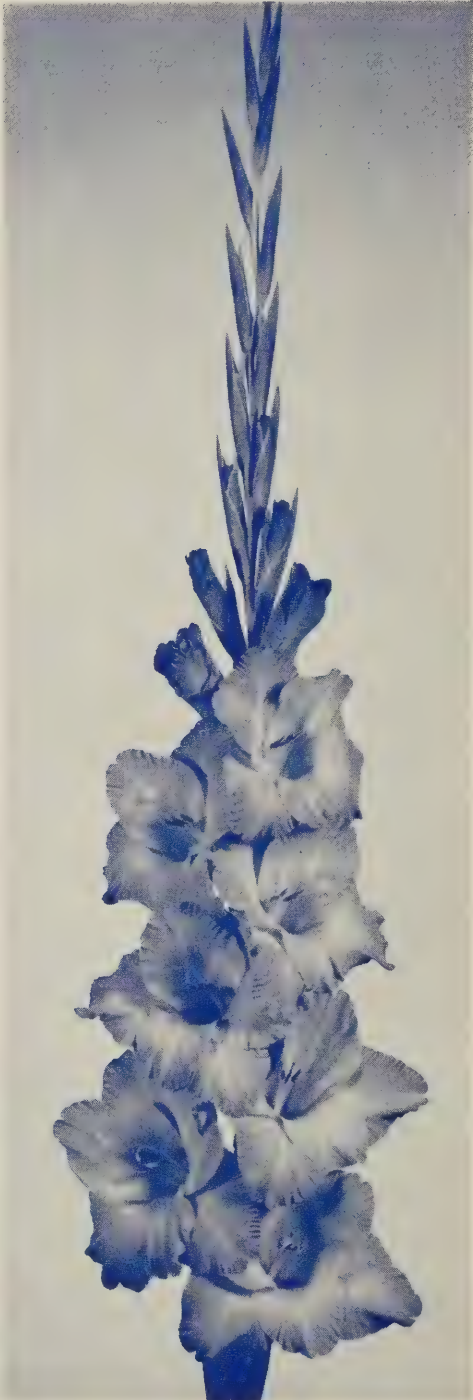
	Unit	Bulbs			Small	Bulblets	
		Large	Med.			Unit	
<b>GARDEN GOLD</b> (Rich 48) 512—90	1	.40	.30	—	—	10	.40
Giant yellow with a deeper throat. Grows up to 60" tall with 6-7 large florets open on a 26" flowerhead. Has a slight tendency towards hooding. Slow propagator. A good show glad.	10	3.20	2.40	—	—	100	3.00
<b>GLAD TIDINGS</b> (Arenius 52) 462—80	1	1.50	1.00	.50		2	.25
A lovely and distinct shade of medium rose, almost a cerise. The 6-8 open florets have practically no markings. Stems are tall. Should become a good commercial and show glad.	10	12.00	8.00	4.00		10	1.00
						100	8.00
<b>GOLD</b> (Marshall 51) 412—80	1	.50	.35	.25		10	.25
A beautiful yellow in spite of some shortcomings. Only about 14 buds on a short flowerhead. Color and ruffling are extremely fine. A must have for florist trade.	10	4.00	2.80	2.00		100	2.00
<b>GOLDEN DAWN</b> (Savelief 51) 410—78	1	.35	.25	2-.35		15	.25
Clear medium yellow that should be better known as it is one of the very best. Opens up to 10 well placed florets on a tall spike. An excellent cut flower glad, will win easily at shows.	10	2.80	2.00	1.40		100	1.50
<b>GRACY'S CHOICE</b> (Vasaturo 51) 560—90	1	1.00	.75	.50		3	.25
Large rose pink with 7 open and 5 more showing color on a 20 bud spike. This is one of the finest 1952 introductions and will become very popular both for show and as a cut flower. Highly recommended.	10	8.00	6.00	4.00		10	.80
						100	6.00
<b>GRAND FINALE</b> (Andrews 47) 442—95	2	.30	3-.30	—		25	.25
This pink scored 29 or better for 3 years in the Maine Gladiolus Society ratings. It is a good grower somewhat on the order of Connecticut Yankee. Try this for good late blooms.	10	1.20	.80	—		100	.75

The following varieties were the outstanding recent introductions in our garden in 1953. Benares — Elmers Rose — Eridge — Falcon — Fort Knox — Francesca — Karen — King David — Look — Mesa Mist — Peach Glow — Rosita — White Excelsior and Whistle Stop.





**VANITY FAIR**



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	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>GWEN</b> (Pickell 49) 462—75	1	.35	.25	.15	10	.25
Reports from our customers confirm our statement that Gwen is fragrant. This beautiful light rose will grow tall and straight and will open 6-8 beautiful florets that will stand handling and will win on the show table. It cuts 100% usable spikes and is offered not for its fragrance but for its beauty and usability. Destined to be a very fine commercial.	10	2.80	2.00	1.20	100	2.00
<b>GREY SUMMIT</b> (Butt 50) 486—75	2	.30	2-.20	2-.20	50	.25
Fine light grey with faint pink-lavender tints showing through. Opens up to 8 on good spikes. An attractive smoky that everyone seems to like.	10	1.20	.80	.50	100	.40
<b>HAMLET</b> (Larus 50) 454—82	1	.40	.30	.20	10	.30
Dark maroon red that opens 6 large blooms on a 16-17 bud spike. Has white stamens which gives it a pleasing contrast. Good grower and does not burn like most dark reds.	10	3.20	2.40	1.60	100	2.00
<b>HAROLD K.</b> (Knight 49) 536—85	1	.25	.20	2-.25	10	.25
The largest and best deep scarlet. The huge blooms are round and reach 7 inches. Opens 8 well placed florets with 6 more showing color. Very tall strong grower that is going to be hard to beat. Recommended.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	2.00
<b>HEIRLOOM</b> (Klein 52) 566—80	1	2.00	1.25	.75	2	.30
Clear medium lavender with small pure white throat and midrib lines. Opens 8-10 beautifully frilled florets. Has won many prizes at shows. Excellent opening and keeping qualities.					10	1.20
					100	9.60
<b>HELEN OF TROY</b> (Salbach 39) 517—90	1	.20	2-.30	---	---	---
Very tall peach toned apricot with soft carmine throat blotch. One of the very best glads of all times. A wonderful grower that should be in every first class collection. Patented variety so increase cannot be sold.	10	1.60	1.20	---	---	---



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		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>HIAWATHIA</b> (Beardmore 47) 436—90	1	.20	2-.30	2-.20	25	.25
Large pure scarlet that opens 8 wide florets on a well balanced spike. The 5½ inch florets are slightly ruffled and are well placed on a 22 bud spike. Grand Champion at Cleveland 1945 and Div. Champion New York 1947.	10	1.60	1.20	.80	100	.75
<b>JENNY LIND</b> (Europe) 460—70	1	.20	2-.25	—	10	.20
A nice early cut-flower that grows up to 50 inches with 6-8 nicely placed florets open at a time. The clean rose-salmon color will be in demand by florists. A good early cut-flower.	10	1.60	1.00	—	100	1.60
<b>KALIF VAN BAGDAD</b> (K. & M. 51) 378-80	1	.30	.20	2-.20	10	.25
This looks like a better Abu Hassan with about the same color. Opens 5 on a medium tall spike. It is healthy and looks like it may become a good commercial glad.	10	2.40	1.60	.80	100	2.00
<b>KAREN</b> (Mazur 52) 465—85	1	2.00	1.50	1.00	1	.25
One of the most striking novelties seen in sometime. A rather dark rose purple with a strikingly contrasting cream blotch. Florets are somewhat waved and well rounded, with 8-10 open at a time. One you will surely like.	10	16.00	12.00	8.00	10	2.00
					100	16.00
<b>KING DAVID</b> (Carlson 51) 570	1	.50	.35	.25	10	.30
Sensational new purple. Opens 10 satin like blooms that are recurved, winged, ruffled and fluted. A narrow silver picotee edge around all the florets. This is a wonderful grower and propagator. Has a fine record of show wins.	10	4.00	2.80	2.00	100	2.40
<b>KING SIZE</b> (Hartman 53) 531—95	1	3.00	2.00	1.00	1	.25
A huge medium-light pink with deep pink throat markings. Up to 8-9 open at a time on very tall strong spikes. Certainly the giant of glads. A must for the exhibitor.	10	24.00	16.00	8.00	10	2.00
					100	16.00
<b>LADY EVE</b> (Grout 46) 301—90	2	.30	3-.30	4-.25	Pkg.	.30
Good clean white, with bright red blotch. Opens 8 florets on an 18 bud spike with 6 showing color. The 4½ inch florets are well placed on a 53 inch spike. A heavy show winner in its class.	10	1.20	.80	.50	—	—

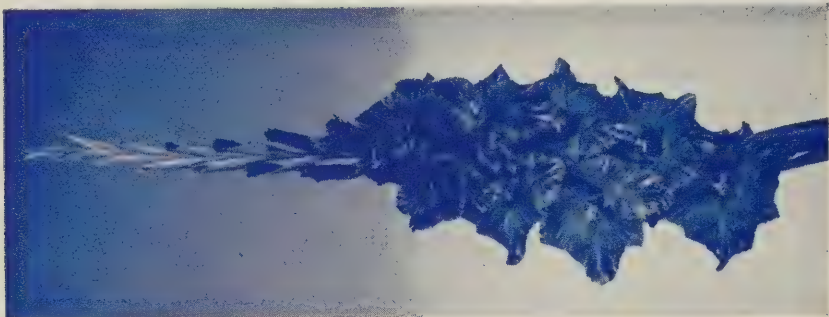
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	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>LA VALLE</b> (Lines 49) 507—85	1	.40	.30	.20	20	.25
Beautiful rich ruffled light cream with a scarlet spear in the throat. Opens 8 on good spikes. Tall vigorous healthy grower; wonderful show variety.	10	3.20	2.40	1.60	100	1.00
<b>LAVENDER JOY</b> (Jack 53) 466—85	1	1.50	1.00	.60	2	.25
This new lavender was one of the pleasant surprises in 1953. Ruffled lavender with cream throat. Very tall spikes with 21 buds and 8 open. Sure to become a leading cut-flower variety. Will win at the shows.	10	12.00	8.00	4.80	10	1.00
					100	8.00
<b>LEAH GORHAM</b> (Gorham 51) 450—85	1	.30	.20	.15	10	.25
The 5 inch florets, which are light red with a clean white throat, are striking and very attractive. Has 7 open on a 26-28 inch flowerhead with 18 to 20 buds. This is one of the best 1951 introductions.	10	2.40	1.60	1.20	100	2.00
<b>LEIF ERICKSON</b> (K. & M. 50) 506—85	1	.25	.20	2-.25	25	.25
One of the best new ones in our garden this season. A tall cream that opens 8-10 neatly placed florets that are firmly attached. This is an Award of Merit winner that I predict will become one of the finest cut-flowers.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	.75
<b>LOOK</b> (Taylor 53) 540—90	1	2.00	1.50	1.00	1	.20
A very promising new light pink that should become a topnotch commercial. It opens 6-8 large flowers on tall slender spikes that are a joy to cut. One of the best in our 1953 trial gardens.	10	16.00	12.00	8.00	10	1.60
					100	12.00
<b>LUSTIGE WITWE</b> (Holland 52) 370—80	1	.30	.20	.10	10	.25
A brilliant mauve or lavender with large attractive creamy-white blotches on lower petals. Opens about 5 well placed blooms on good spikes, somewhat like Karen, am sure you will like this one.	10	2.40	1.60	.80	100	2.00

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**EDITH WARR**



**RED FEATHER**

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	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>MADELINE HEFTY</b> (Woods 50) 462—85	1	.25	.20	2-.25	15	.25
A beautiful rose lavender with darker rose marking. 55 inches tall with 10 open. The 5½ inch florets are well placed, have good attachment and substance. Winner of the Home Achievement Award medal and other top awards.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	1.50
<b>MAJORETTE</b> (Kroon 50) 540—60	1	.20	2-.25	3-.25	20	.25
A very excellent early pink somewhat like Rosa Van Lima. It has a tall spike of 55 to 60". Opens 6 slightly frilled florets with 6 more showing color on an 18 bud spike. Looks like a good commercial.						
<b>MALLOW</b> (Palmer 51) 462—80	1	.30	.20	2-.30	10	.25
A lovely light rose blotched cream, excellent plant habits. Very tall strong grower that opens 7 well placed florets. Good propagator.	10	2.40	1.60	1.20	100	2.00
<b>MANON</b> (K. & M.) 441—80	1	.20	2-.30	---	25	.25
A flesh colored pink with a large dark red blotch somewhat like Pactolus. Opens 6-8 on a medium tall spike. If you like blotches you will want Manon.	10	1.60	1.20	---	100	.75
<b>MARATHON</b> (Lawrenson 51) 416—85	1	.25	.20	2-.25	25	.25
A strong growing light buff with a red spot in the throat. Opens 7 large blooms on tall spikes. This was fine from small bulbs here this past season, large bulbs crook at times.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	.75
<b>MARGERIE</b> (Melk 53) 462—75	1	3.00	2.00	1.25	1	.40
Very bright and attractive medium rose with a small deeper rose feather, has a deeper flecking which does not detract. Has good attachment and good placement, a glad every one will want to grow.	10	24.00	16.00	10.00	10	3.00
					100	24.00
<b>MELBOURNE</b> (B. & P. 53) 507—85	1	.50	.35	---	10	.40
A very light cream with a small purplish red brush on a deeper cream throat with an unusual orchid overcast. The heavy 6-foot plants carry 8 open on a 22 bud spike. The 6-7 inch florets are of heavy texture with a slight ruffling.	10	4.00	2.80	---	100	3.20



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	Unit	Bulbs		Small	Bulblets	
		Large	Med.		Unit	
<b>MELLOW MOON</b> (E. Snyder 50) 420—80	2	.30	3-.30	—	25	.25
Beautiful light orange, nearly self color. Opens 8 good facing, well attached, 5 to 5½ inch florets on a 20 bud spike. 28-30 inch flowerheads with six showing color. Grows up to 60" tall and is ruffled. A top notch variety that will go to the top.	10	1.20	.80	.40	100	.75
<b>MENELIK</b> (Salman 50) 554—90	1	.60	.40	—	10	.50
Clear black-red with deep purple shadings. Makes long spikes of Grand Championship quality. Received AA 90 test rating at Valleevue test gardens. Stock very scarce.	10	4.80	3.20	—	100	4.00
<b>MESA MIST</b> (Hartman 52) 486—85	1	1.00	.75	.50	4	.25
A nice light lavender gray sport of Pastel. It opens 6 or 7 large florets on a heavy well built spike. This one is different and this season made a hit at Boston, Rhode Island and Conneticut shows. Florists have fallen hard for this as it is wonderful in baskets and make up work.	10	8.00	6.00	4.00	10	.50
					100	4.00
<b>MORNING CALM</b> (Jack 52) 530—95	1	.60	.40	.25	6	.25
A very pleasing apricot buff, shading lighter to centre. The buds are a rich apricot salmon. Opens 7-8 six inch florets with a total of up to 22 buds. Grows 5 feet tall with 27" head. Florets are ruffled and recurved.	10	4.80	3.20	2.00	25	.75
					100	2.25
<b>MOTHER FISCHER</b> (Fisher 51) 400—85	1	.40	.30	.20	10	.25
One of the best of the new whites, immaculately chaste, heavily ruffled, a strong, vigorous grower. Attains wonderful height and it sometimes shows a trace of pink in cool weather.	10	3.20	2.40	1.60	100	2.00
<b>NEGUS</b> (K. & M. 51) 354—85	1	.50	.35	.25	10	.40
Tall growing deep black red with velvety sheen. Opens 8-10 florets on a 21 bud spike. This is the finest dark red on the market today. Does not fade or sunburn. Excellent propagator.					100	3.00

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		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>NEW YORKER</b> (Graff 50) 440—85	1	.40	.30	.20	10	.25
Certainly one of the best '50 introductions, a beautiful light pink. It attains a height of 55 to 60 inches with a total of 20 buds. Opens 8 florets of good texture that are well placed. Good increaser. Doc's best origination.	10	3.20	2.40	1.60	100	2.00
<b>NOWETA ROSE</b> (Fischer 50) 568—85	1	.30	.20	2-.30	25	.25
More of a lavender than rose. Grows up to 60" tall having 10 open blooms on a 22 bud spike. This is a heavy winner at the shows. Placing is rather crowded and rather short heads. In my opinion highly overrated.	10	2.40	1.60	1.20	100	.75
<b>ORCHID MARVEL</b> (Jack 47) 566—85	2	.30	2-.20	3-.20	25	.25
Deep orchid-lavender. Spikes carry 20 buds, 7 to 8 open. This looks like one of the best '47 introductions. Will become very popular as a show gladiolus. Grows tall with up to 23 buds.	10	1.20	.80	.50	100	.75
<b>OSTRICH FEATHER</b> (Pfitzer 50) 540—85	2	.30	2-.20	3-.50	25	.20
Huge heavily ruffled and needle pointed pink with a deeper throat. Grows 60" tall with 8 open. This is a real fine novelty that will be very popular. Also called Straussenfeder by some.	10	1.20	.80	.50	100	.60
<b>PAINTED LADY</b> (Roberts 52) 443—90	1	.75	.50	.30	10	.50
Here is a beauty, a deep pink with white lips "painted" scarlet on the edges. Opens 6 nicely ruffled florets on a medium tall spike. You will have to see this to realize its beauty.	10	6.00	4.00	2.40	100	4.00
<b>PALETTE</b> (Kooy 51) 437—85	1	.20	.15	3-.25	20	.25
Vermillion-red with sharp contrasting clear purple-blue color in throat. This is very attractive and should become very popular as it is a good grower. One of the best new novelties.	10	1.60	1.20	.75	100	1.00
<b>PARADE</b> (Klein 51) 468—68	1	.50	.30	.20	10	.25
Cyclamen purple, with magenta throat. Grows 50 inches tall with a 20 bud spike. Opens 8 with good attachments. Its main use will be as a cut flower for it is very early.	10	4.00	2.40	1.60	100	2.00

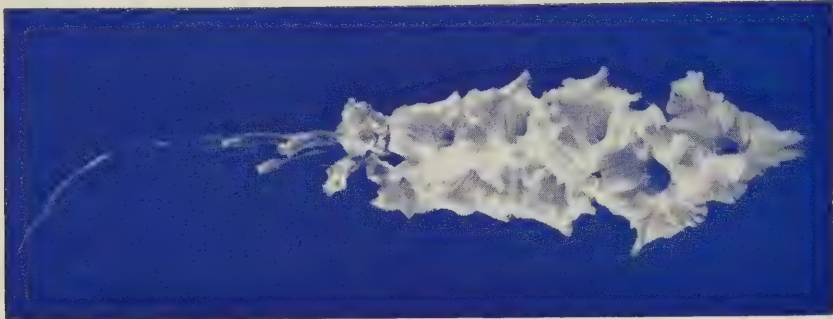


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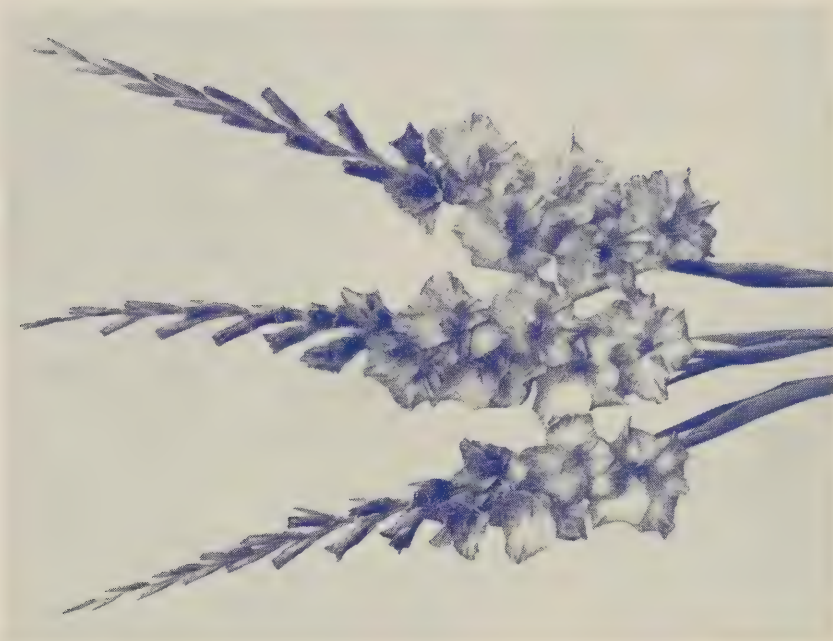
	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>PEACH GLOW</b> (Harris 51) 416—80	1	.50	.25	.15	10	.50
One of the best 1951 introductions. A large ruffled buffy orange, with wide open florets. Has good substance, attachment and good straight spikes. A very worthy addition to this class. Highly recommended.	10	4.00	2.00	1.20	100	4.00
<b>PENNANT</b> (Palmer 52) 440—92	1	.60	.40	.20	10	.40
Light pink sister seedling of Evangeline. Spikes are shorter than Evangeline but it opens 10 plus with always good placement. One of the finest introductions of late years. Will become a leading cut-flower variety.	10	4.80	3.20	1.60	100	3.20
<b>PERSIAN RUG</b> (Roberts 50) 486—90	1	.50	.35	.20	10	.30
A very showy and unusual smoky. Its color is hard to describe, a smoky slate or plum, gradually shading to reddish-rose with a clear light yellow blotch. Opens 7 large florets on a 50" spike. A must for shows and wonderful for roadside sales of cut-flowers.	10	4.00	2.80	1.60	100	2.40
<b>PINK PRIDE</b> (Arenius 52) 530—80	1	1.50	1.00	.50	10	1.00
Certainly a rival of King Size this is a huge light pink with 8-10 florets open on a 20 bud flowerhead with good placement. I predict Pink Pride will win more than its share of blue ribbons.	10	12.00	8.00	4.00	100	8.00
<b>POINSETTIA</b> (Johnson 52) 450—87	1	.50	.35	.20	10	.40
Excellent scarlet of uniform coloring and the ability to make consistently good spikes. It opens 6-8 good-size flowers on fine tall spikes. Am sure you will like Poinsettia.	10	4.00	2.80	1.60	100	3.00
<b>PRARIE</b>	1	1.50	1.00	—	2	.25
Very dark chocolate colored smoky that was greatly admired in our display at the Connecticut show. Opens up to 8 on a well balanced spike. If you like smokies you will want Prarie as it is outstanding. Stock limited.					10	1.00
<b>PORCELAIN BLUE</b> (Rich 44) 478—90	1	.20	2-.30	3-.25	25	.25
Medium dark violet pansy-blue with a clean creamy white throat. Large, wide open blooms. Opens five on a tall spike. This always makes a hit. Stock scarce so order early.	10	2.00	1.20	.80	100	.75

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		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>PRINCESS</b> (Larus 53) 466—90	1	2.00	1.50	1.00	1	.30
A deep but bright and attractive lavender, with faint rose lines toward the throat. Florets are nicely frilled, with raised and fluted midribs. Princess is a tall grower with 8-10 open at a time. Certainly one of the best of the 1953 introductions.	10	16.00	12.00	8.00	10	2.00
<b>PROSPECTOR</b> (Leffingwell 53) 412—85	1	3.00	3.00	3.00	—	—
Beautiful light yellow with deeper buff-yellow lip petals. Florets are beautifully frilled and crimped at the edges. Opens 6-8 on a medium tall spikes. This one was the big hit at the 1950 Binghamton show.						
<b>RED FEATHER</b> (Butt 51) 552—85	1	1.50	1.00	.60	2	.25
Massive smooth dark red that opens 9 or 10 large florets in perfect formation on a tall strong stem. Looks like Butt's best red and should become a heavy show winner. Outstanding.	10	12.00	8.00	4.80	10	1.00
					100	8.00
<b>ROBERT ALAN</b> (Lorenz 49) 412—80	1	.25	2-.30	3-.25	25	.25
Wonderful brilliant waxy golden yellow that grows up to 60" tall. Has 20-22 buds with 8 open. The large 5 inch florets are well placed. Robert Alan has a long list of winnings at the shows. AA rating at Connecticut, Massachusetts & Valleevue Test Gardens.	10	2.00	1.20	.80	100	.75
<b>ROSE PLUME</b> (Lines 49) 462—75	1	.40	.30	.20	25	.25
A very soft velvety rose that leans slightly to the red side of rose. When well grown it makes spikes with ten or more open and all the rest show color. 5½ inch florets on an 18 bud spikes.	10	3.20	2.40	1.60	100	.75
<b>ROSITA</b> (Woods 52) 563—85	1	.75	.60	.40	10	.40
Certainly one of the best new ones. A beautiful shade of light rose with a darker rose throat. A very good grower with 8 to 10 open ruffled and fluted florets. Will be extremely popular.	10	6.00	4.80	3.20	100	3.00



**BARRETT'S BEAUTY**



**MARGERY**



**SIERRA SNOW**



**BIRCHVILLE GARDENS — Plainville, Connecticut**

	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>ROSY FUTURE</b> (Pletcher 51) 462—85	1	.20	2-.25	3-.25	10	.25
Deep rose that grows up to 52" tall with a 25-27 inch flowerhead and 20 buds. Opens 6-8 with 6 showing color. The five inch florets are firmly attached and well placed. Will be grown by the million as it is a beauty that is unique in color, and a fine grower.	10	1.60	1.00	.70	100	2.00
<b>ROYAL FLUSH</b> (Barrett 50) 552—90	1	1.00	.75	.50	5	.25
This looks like the best medium red. Opens 10 or more huge ruffled florets with 8 more showing color. Long flowerheads of 24 buds. One of the very best.	10	8.00	6.00	4.00	10	.65
<b>ROYAL ROBES</b> (Lins 47) 352	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	50	.25
Heavily ruffled rich velvet red. The round florets of superb texture and heavy substance are well placed on a medium height spike. A heavy producer of bulblets that are very easy to grow. Ruffled and will be a good show glad.	10	1.00	.70	.50	100	.40
<b>RUTH ANN</b> (Woods 48) 566—75	1	.25	2-.30	3-.25	25	.25
The 6 inch florets are heavily ruffled and of heavy substance. Color is an unusual lavender-pink. Grows up to 55 inches, has a 20 bud spike, 30 inch flowerhead. Opens 8 well placed blooms. Must be seen to fully realize its beauty.	10	2.00	1.20	.80	100	.75
<b>SALMAN'S SENSATION</b> (53) 578—90	1	1.50	1.25	1.00	2	.30
A sensation among blues. Medium dark blue. Opens 6-8 well placed and attached 6-7 inch blooms with 8 showing color and a total of 22 buds. Spikes are extremely tall, with dark green, very heavy foliage. You must see it to appreciate it. Sure going to be a heavy show winner.					10	1.50
<b>SANS SOUCI</b> (K. & M. 51) 436—85	1	.25	.20	2-.25	25	.25
Rich glowing scarlet with a narrow white line on lower petal. The florets have heavy texture and are well placed on good spikes. It is a tremendous grower and will become very popular.	10	2.00	1.60	10-1.00	100	.75

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	Bulbs				Bulblets	
	Unit	Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>SCARLET GIANT</b> (Kelly 49) 537—70	1	.25	.20	2-.25	25	.20
Certainly a giant in every way. Blooms in 70 days. Opens 8 on a 20 bud spike with long flowerhead. Vigorous grower, good increaser.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	.60
<b>SHIRLEY IRENE</b> (Buckley 51) 461—80	1	.30	.20	2-.25	10	.25
Said to be an improved Corona, has a picotee rose edging with a deep blotch. Opens 8-10 well placed florets. Has excellent growing habits and is highly rated in Canada.	10	2.40	1.60	1.00	100	2.00
<b>SIERRA SNOW</b> (Harris 51) 400—80	1	.35	.20	2-.30	10	.25
Big tall white with cream throat. Capable of making tremendous exhibition spikes of champion caliber. Opens up to 12 ruffled florets of heavy texture. Has won all sorts of awards at shows.	10	2.80	1.60	1.20	100	2.00
<b>SILCHERLIED</b> (K. & M. 50) 443—80	1	.25	2-.25	4-.30	25	.25
Gorgeous clear La France pink with a cherry throat blotch. Opens 8 on a well balanced spike. This looks like a wonderful new cut-flower variety and should win its share of blue ribbons.	10	2.00	1.00	.50	100	.75
<b>SKYROCKET</b> (Barrett 49) 550—80	1	.25	.20	2-.20	10	.25
A brilliant, striking red of velvety texture. Quite a showy variety that grows tall. Opens 6-8 well placed florets.	10	2.00	1.60	.80	100	2.00
<b>SKYWAY</b> (Stevens 48) 442—75	1	.20	2-.30	—	25	.25
One of the best 1949 introductions. Very early clear light pink with a white and cream throat. Opens 7 on a 32 inch flowerhead of 18 to 20 buds. The 5½" florets are firmly attached on a 58 inch spike.	10	1.60	1.20	—	100	.75
<b>SPARKLING EYES</b> (Jack 53) 401—85	1	1.25	.90	.50	2	.25
White, with clear violet-purple blotch. Ruffled florets with 7-8 open on a 20 bud spike. This is quite different and am sure you will like it, as the sharp clear blotch attracts instant attention.					10	1.00

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	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>STERLING</b> (Harris 50) 466—85	1	.25	2-.30	2-.20	20	.25
This ruffled deep rosy lavender grows up to 55". Opens 9 with 7 showing color on a 20-bud spike. The 5 inch florets are perfectly placed and have good attachments. A new color break and one we recommend.	10	2.00	1.20	.80	100	1.00
<b>SUNDANCE</b> (Almey 49) 412—87	1	.25	.20	2-.25	15	.25
A ruffled self medium yellow that opens 8 to 12 five inch florets. Grows up to 60 inches tall with a long flower-head of 24 buds. A strong healthy grower. Has a lot of friends that claim this to be the best yellow.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	100	1.25
<b>SUNDAY BEST</b> (Pletcher 50) 466—80	2	.30	3-.30	5-.25	25	.25
A clear light lavender rose blending to a rich creamy throat. Opens 6-8 well placed blooms on a 25-30" flowerhead. A wonderful grower from all sizes & 100% cutter of good spikes.	10	1.20	.80	.40	—	—
<b>SUSAN KAY</b> (Mikle 53) 440—80	1	1.00	.75	.50	10	.50
Beautiful ruffled pink with a creamy throat. Grows 4 feet tall with 5-6 open on a 16-18 bud spike. Has good placement and attachment. Wonderful commercial and a glad that will be grown by the million.						
<b>THE RAJAH</b> (Jack 51) 570—88	1	.25	2-.35	2-.20	10	.20
One of the best purple glads, a royal purple with no markings. Florets are large, round and ruffled and opens to 7 or more on tall spikes. A real show glad and one of my favorites.	10	2.00	1.40	.80	100	1.50
<b>TOBRUK</b> (Pfizer's 49) 454—85	1	.25	.20	2-.25	20	.25
Very dark velvet almost black. The well formed medium size florets are well placed on a medium tall spike. Opens 6 and is an excellent grower. One of the darkest Glads.	10	2.00	1.60	1.00	50	.50
<b>TOMAHAWK</b> (Graff 52) 436—85	1	.75	.50	.35	10	.25
A fine scarlet that opens 8 florets on a nice flowerhead. Florets are slightly ruffled and recurved. It grows up to 58" tall and has a 28" flowerhead with 20 buds. Looks good.	10	6.00	4.00	2.80	100	2.00





**JINI MARIE**



**COTILLION**

# BIRCHVILLE GARDENS — Plainville, Connecticut

	Bulbs			Bulblets	
	Unit	Large	Med.	Small	Unit
<b>TRULY FAIR</b> (Woods 53) 464—65	1	2.00	1.50	1.00	1 .25
Has the color of a red rose with a lustrous satin sheen having a 4½ inch floret with a medium ruffling. Has good placement and attachment. It attains a height of 58 inches with a 30 inch flowerhead and 7 open. A beautiful glad and very early, am sure you will like it.	10	16.00	12.00	8.00	10 2.00 100 16.00
<b>VALDA</b> (Barrett 51) 560—80	1	.75	.60	.40	3 .30
Huge deep lavender with better stretch and longer flowerhead than Elizabeth the Queen. It grows 50 inches tall and opens 8 florets on a 22 bud spike. This will rate as one of Barrett's best.	10	6.00	4.80	3.20	10 .80
<b>VALENTINE</b> (Larus 52) 421—90	1	1.00	.75	.50	2 .25
This has always been a favorite with me. A very distinct orange that makes grand spikes with 8 open at a time. Must be seen to realize its beauty. Has a showy blotch of deeper orange.	10	8.00	6.00	4.00	10 1.00
<b>VANITY FAIR</b> (Harris 51) 517—80	1	.35	.25	2-.30	3 .25
Heavily ruffled blush white with overlay of buff. 7 open on a tall straight spike of 20 buds with a 30" flowerhead. Has been Grand Champion winner plus other top awards.	10	2.80	2.00	1.20	10 .75 100 6.00
<b>VIOLET CHARM</b> (Jack 53) 476—85	1	1.25	.90	.50	2 .25
Light violet, cream throat with deep violet broad arrow. Strong straight spikes with 22 buds and blooms will open 10. Has good placement and will become a winner at the shows. Sure to be popular as a cut flower.					10 1.00
<b>WEDGEWOOD</b> (K. & M.) 478—85	1	1.00	.75	—	2 .20
K. & M.'s Wedgewood is the closest to true blue found in gladiolus and is not to be confused with Fischer's Wedgewood. Grows very tall with 4-5 open. You will enthuse over the color, much better blue than that of Pelegrina and Abu Hassan and has larger florets.	10	8.00	6.00	—	10 .80

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	Bulbs				Bulblets	
	Unit	Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>WHITE EXCELSIOR</b> (Europe) 500—75	1	2.00	1.50	1.00	1	.20
Here is one of the best varieties in our 1953 trial garden. Grows up to 60 inches tall with 6-8 perfectly placed florets open. From No. 5 bulbs we cut spikes up to 55 inches tall. Certainly recommend you try this, one of the best whites for cut-flowers.	10	16.00	12.00	8.00	10	1.50
<b>WHISTLE STOP</b> (Woods 53) 462—80	1	2.00	1.50	1.00	1	.25
Brilliant rose purple that grows up to 66 inches tall with a 34 inch flower-head with 10-12 open. The ruffled florets are firmly attached. In the rose class it would be hard for anything to beat this. One of the best 1953 introductions.	10	16.00	12.00	8.00	10	2.00
					100	16.00
<b>WINONA</b> (Barrett 52) 406—72	1	.40	.30	.20	10	.25
A light cream, slightly deeper throat. Opens 8 ruffled and frilled blooms on a 55" spike. This should become a leading commercial as it is one of the first to bloom. The 5 inch florets are well placed on a 30" flowerhead.	10	3.20	2.40	1.60	100	2.00
<b>WONDER BOY</b> (Tyndall 52) 470—85	1	1.50	1.00	.50	2	.25
Here is one of the sensations of the 1952 season. A rich dark purple that is ruffled and fluted. Grows up to 55". Flowerheads are 27 inches long, carrying 20 to 25 buds and opening 8, with 7 in color. One of the most brilliant purples, and it is healthy.	10	12.00	8.00	4.00	10	1.00
					100	8.00

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## AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND VARITIES

	UNIT PRICES				
	Bulbs			Bulblets	
	Unit	Large	Med.	Small	Unit
<b>ADOBE</b> (Burns 49) 417—80	1	.60	.40	.25	10
Nicely ruffled florets of a rich creamy buff, with a reddish purple blotch. Quite attractive with 7 open on good spikes. Looks like Sunspot and is one of the best Australian varieties.	10	4.80	3.20	2.00	100 4.00
<b>ADVENTURER</b> (Aust 52) 580—85	2	.30	3-.30	5-.25	25
Beautiful large smoky salmon with a bright cherry throat. Opens 8 well placed blooms on a tall sturdy spike. This looks very much like the older Chief Multnomah.	10	1.20	.80	.40	100 .60
<b>ANNIE AMELIA</b> (Both 49) 410	1	.25	2-.30	3-.30	50
Clean light yellow, slightly ruffled. Spikes are medium to tall. The florets are perfectly placed. Am told it will make a good flower. A rating at Vallevue test gardens in 1949.	10	2.00	1.20	.80	100 .40
<b>BILL BOTH</b> (Both 45) 490—80	10	1.00	.70	.40	Pkg. .30
A reliable flower of exhibition type. Color is a smoky shade with bright blotch of red. The florets are ruffled with eight open on a straight stem.					
<b>BLACK MAGIC</b> (Errey 39) 454—85	1	.25	2-.30	3-.30	10
A tall, strong black-red opening up to 8 large blooms, in excellent formation. This has been wonderful here for the past two seasons.	10	2.00	1.00	.80	100 1.50
<b>BLAIR MARGUERITE</b> (Both 49) 532—85	2	.25	3-.25	---	Pkg. .30
A very large salmon pink, feathered deeper. Spikes are tall. This should become a good show glad. Has been Grand Champion.	10	1.00	.70	---	---
<b>CATHERINE</b> (Both 51) 542—85	2	.35	2-.25	---	Pkg. .30
The color is a delicate orange of sheer beauty, at times tinged chocolate. The huge florets are held rigidly on a tall upright stem. Has good placement. An extremely beautiful glad with a wonderful future.	10	1.40	1.00	---	---

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	Unit	Bulbs			Small	Bulblets	
		Large	Med.			Unit	
<b>CECILY ANNE</b> (Errey 50) 440—85	1	.40	.30		.20	25	.25
A lovely pink with cream throat. Grows 50-55" tall with 21 buds on a 26" flowerhead and opens 10 well placed firmly attached florets. One of the best Australian varieties.						100	.75
<b>CRIMSON QUEEN</b> (Rowse 51) 542—85	1	.50	.35		.25	10	.50
A large crimson with darker flecks. Opens 8-10 well placed blooms on medium tall spikes. Certainly one of the best from this famous originator.	10	4.00	2.80		2.00	100	4.00
<b>DAYBREAK</b> (Errey) 416—85	1	.75	.50		.36	5	.25
A tall growing variety, opening up to 10 or more in a buff yellow shade. A healthy and vigorous grower. Rated highly in Australia.						10	.40
<b>DR. PRYOR</b> (Burns 49) 551—85	2	.30	2-.20		5-.25	Pkg.	.25
One of the best light reds grown for exhibition. Opens 10 large florets on a very tall spike. Has 24 buds on a long flowerhead. Looks like a winner.	10	1.20	.80		.40	---	---
<b>EXPANSE</b> (Hill 49) 540—95	2	.35	2-.25		4-.30	25	.25
A medium rose pink with a cream throat, a strong reliable grower that reminds you of Picardy at its best. This looks like a good commercial and show glad. Try it.	10	1.40	1.00		.60	100	.75
<b>FLORALIA</b> (Horrex 49) 460—90	1	.60	.40		.25	5	.25
This exhibition variety is described as having an even flush of lilac-lavender on cream ground. Opens 8 on a 21 bud spike. F.C.C. at Burnley Test Gardens.						10	.40
<b>FRED JARVIS</b> (Both 49) 406	2	.25	3-.25		---	Pkg.	.25
Exceptionally tall deep cream. Has perfectly shaped florets, and is said to be an improvement on Annie Amelia. Has been a heavy show winner in Australia.	10	1.00	.70		---	---	---
<b>GAY LADY</b> (Brown 49) 466—90	2	.25	3-.25		---	Pkg.	.25
A recent release that is Lilac-mauve, It has size and is a consistent grower. Will make a good cut flower.	10	1.00	.70		---	---	---

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	Unit	Bulbs		Small	Bulblets	
		Large	Med.		Unit	
<b>GIANT CYCLAMEN</b> (Higgins 49) 562—90	2	.25	3-.25	—	Pkg.	.25
Certainly a nice color and fine grower. A clean Cyclamen color somewhat like Miss Wisconsin with up to 8 open on a well balanced spike. Will become popular.	10	1.00	.70	—	—	—
<b>HALCYON</b> (Horrex)	1	.40	.30	.20	10	.40
Large pink florets tinted with steel blue and a golden brown throat blotch. This tall grower has received an Award of Merit at Ballarat trial gardens.						
<b>HILDA LANGE</b> (Both 50) 520	1	.25	2-.30	2-.20	25	.25
Ruffled delicate orange tinged with blue, coupled with vigor. Bids well, for the experts rate this Glad as Both's best commercial release.	10	2.00	1.20	.80	100	.75
<b>HILLCREST</b> (Brown—N.Z. 48) 523—85	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
Bright rosy-pink, with faint markings of deeper rose on edges of petals. Vivid throat blotch of deep cerise. Large wide open florets up to 7 inches across. New Zealand variety of Merit.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—
<b>HUGH PRICE</b> (Both 48) 416—80	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
Clear buff blending into a yellow throat. Unique in color, has 8 to 10 nicely frilled round florets. Received an AA-superior rating in 1949 from Valleevue test gardens. Growers buying this one up fast.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—
<b>JACK FALLU</b> (Both 49) 590—85	1	.25	.20	2-.30	25	.25
Ruffled brownish-orange smoky that is quite attractive. It has everything to rank this as a heavy show winner in its class.	10	2.00	1.60	1.20	100	.75
<b>JOYFUL</b> (Coombs 48) 432—90	2	.35	2-.25	4-.30	25	.20
This is one of the best commercial glads seen in some time. Opens 9-10 on a good spike. One of the best from Australia and should become popular.	10	1.40	1.00	.60	100	.80





**DUSTY MILLER**



**BETTY'S CHOICE**

# BIRCHVILLE GARDENS — Plainville, Connecticut

	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>MAJESTIC</b> (Rowse 49) 532—90	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
A very vigorous grower with a massive spike of large wide open florets with an attractive shade of salmon-orange. Opens 8 huge florets in perfect formation on a 20 bud spike with long flowerhead. Champion spike at many shows down under.	10	1.00	.70	.40	---	---
<b>MRS. R. G. ERREY</b> (Errey 48) 554—85	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
Believed by many to be the best dark red. Opens 8-10 on very tall spikes. Some crooking in warm weather. Certainly a good show glad.	10	1.00	.70	.40	---	---
<b>QUIBERON</b> (Errey 49) 416—80	2	.30	3-.30	5-.25	---	---
Without a question one of the best from Australia. Apricot shade with a creamy yellow throat. Opens up to 12 lightly ruffled florets on a long flowerhead. Tall grower, which will be a good show and cut flower variety.	10	1.20	.80	.40	---	---
<b>RED ARMY</b> (Moore 50) 552—80	1	.25	2-.25	3-.25	25	.25
A brownish red shading to a deeper rosy throat. Grows up to 60" tall with 6-8 open on a 24-26 inch head. Good strong grower.						
<b>ROBERTA RUSSELL</b> (Both 50) 436—85	1	.30	.20	2-.20	25	.25
A deep fiery red about same color as Red Charm and a much taller grower. Can win as tallest and longest flowerhead in the show besides cleaning up its class. It is slightly ruffled and opens up to 8 large blooms that are well placed and attached.	10	2.40	1.60	.80	100	.75
<b>RODNEY</b> (Coats 49) 533—92	1	.20	2-.30	2-.20	10	.20
A spectacular glad with 7 inch florets. Opens 8 on a good spike. The color is a dark glistening scarlet with a large white blotch. It sells on sight.	10	1.60	1.20	.80	100	1.50
<b>SINCERITY</b> (Errey 48) 407—85	2	.25	3-.25	---	Pkg.	.25
Very striking, the color is cream shading to light yellow with a scarlet blotch. Will open 10 well placed florets on tall spikes. One of the best from Australia.	10	1.00	.70	---	---	---

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<b>SKY HIGH</b> (Both 49) 312—85	1	.25	2-.25	—	10	.20
A golden yellow that opens up to 16 florets on a 26 bud spike. The florets are not large, but what it lacks in size is made up in its productive ability. Very tall novelty.	10	2.00	1.00	—	—	—
<b>STAINED GLASS</b> (Burns 49) 470—78	1	.25	2-.30	2-.20	20	.25
Tall purple with florets that are not too large for the size of spike. Color is clear and has 6-8 open well placed florets.	10	2.00	1.20	.80	100	.80
<b>TUNIA'S ARISTOCRAT</b> (Both 48) 486—90	1	.30	.20	—	10	.25
With its artistic blending of lilac, brown, orange, pink and smoke with a cerise blotch. It is predicted that this will win its share of Grand Championships. Most exotic smoky. Excellent rating in Valeevue test garden.	10	2.40	1.60	—	100	2.00
<b>TUNIA'S ELITE</b> (Both 47) 590—80	1	.30	.20	2-.25	20	.25
A giant bronze-orange, edged smoky, with a firey throat. Opens 6 blooms on a good spike.						
<b>TUNIA'S HIGHLIGHT</b> (Both 50)	1	.40	.30	2-.30	15	.25
Orange predominates, but is usually heavily tinged with brown and blue. Beautiful blending makes this smoky stand out.						
<b>TUNIA'S MOHAMET</b> (Both 43) 586—75	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
A deep velvety plum-rose with an orange blotch. Has immense spikes with 7 inch florets. Some say it is the most beautiful smoky.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—
<b>WALLY LANGE</b> (Both 51) 551—85	1	.20	2-.30	—	25	.25
The slightly ruffled florets are in perfect form and are held rigidly and in good formation on a tall, wiry stem. A very beautiful color of a rosy carmine red with creamy white midribs.	10	1.60	1.20	—	100	.75

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		UNIT PRICES					
		Bulbs			Bulblets		
	Unit	Large	Med.	Small	Unit		
<b>ATOM</b> (Hedgecock 46) 336—70	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25	
A beautiful small flowered scarlet with a gold edge around all petals. A great show winner and one that is good for all uses. Florists love this one.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—	
<b>BETTY CO-ED</b> (Briggs 34) 240—75	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25	
A soft creamy pink, that is a heavy show winner. Fine as a cut flower, it is healthy and a good propagator.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—	
<b>BO-PEEP</b> (Butt 48) 240—65	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25	
Queen of the small glads, it is buff pink with a yellowish throat faintly dusted red. Very early, deeply ruffled, and heavy substance. Grows up to 50" with a 17-18" flowerhead carrying 16 to 18 buds with 6 open. YOU WILL LOVE BO-PEEP.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—	
<b>CELESTINA</b> (Vasaturo 59) 207—63	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25	
Ruffled deep cream. Opens up to 6 with 5 showing color on a 15 bud spike. Excellent miniature.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—	
<b>CLAUCARCY</b> (Maynard 52) 241—87	1	.50	.35	.25	10	.50	
Nice shade of light pink with cream throat and white mid-ribs. Up to 20 buds with 6-7 open and 6 in color. This won consistently high ratings at 4 trial gardens in 1951.	10	4.00	2.80	2.00	100	4.00	
<b>CONCERTINA</b> (Vasaturo 49) 240—70	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25	
Beautiful bright rose pink, with rose feather in cream throat. Slightly ruffled. Up to 14 buds, with 4 or 5 open.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—	
<b>DOLORES</b> (Vasaturo 43) 240—75	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25	
Light pink with a milk white throat. Opens 4 to 6 on a 13 bud spike. One of the finest small glads.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—	

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	Unit	Bulbs			Bulblets	
		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>FLICKER</b> (Kuhn 46) 221—75	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
Medium orange with a yellow throat and a bright scarlet blotch. Attractive little fellow. Opens 6 on a 16 bud spike. Always straight.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—
<b>JINGLES</b> (Lins 49) 230—93	1	.25	2-.30	3-.30	10	.25
Beautiful clear salmon with full clear white throat. Quite pointed petals and heavily ruffled. Will open 8. A grand miniature.						
<b>JUDY ANN</b> (Vasaturo 52) 240—	1	.60	.40	.25	10	.50
Beautiful light pink blending to a full white throat. Quite ruffled, with somewhat pointed petals.						
<b>LITTLE BRIDE</b> (Vasaturo 50) 200—65	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
Beautiful informal early white, this is one of the best for florist trade. Outstanding variety-	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—
<b>LITTLE JEWEL</b> (Vasaturo 43) 240—65	2	.25	3-.25	—	Pkg.	.25
Little Jewel opens 4-5 ruffled florets which have large cream throats. Spikes are sturdy and carry 15 buds. Color is a clear pink and can win its class easily.	10	1.00	.70	—	—	—
<b>LITTLE KING</b> (Vasaturo 51) 152—80	1	.40	.30	.20	10	.25
Clear dark red. Opens 6 on a 14 bud spike. Color like Ruby. This is one of the best in this color both for shows and arrangements.	10	3.20	2.40	1.60	100	2.00
<b>MARCUS</b> (Stevens 49) 106—60	1	.35	.25	.15	15	.25
Tiny cream shading to light yellow in throat. Opens 5-6 on a 14-16 bud spike. A sure winner in its color class.						
<b>PEGGY ANN</b> (Vasaturo 48) 240—65	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
Will delight the lovers of the smaller size glads. Chic and appealing. Pink and white throat. Tall, graceful spikes with 6 butterfly-type florets open.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—

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		Large	Med.	Small	Unit	
<b>ROSE CHARM</b> (Fisher 48) 360—65	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
Very early crystalline-rose with a large contrasting cream blotch. Opens 5 or 6 on a 24 inch flowerhead. Grows 50 inches tall. A must have for early cut flowers.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—
<b>RUBY</b> (Kuhn 46) 252—70	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
Small medium dark red that is a strong grower. Opens five florets on an 18 bud spike.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—
<b>STARLET</b> (Baerman 44) 200—70	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
A small ruffled white on a slender stem. This is one of the finest white miniatures.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—
<b>SPUNKY</b> (Fairchild 51) 280—80	1	.40	.30	.20	10	.25
Smoky brown shading darker in the throat and with a white line around all petals. A very cute fellow. Like a smoky Atom but smaller.						
<b>STE CECILE</b> (Whitby 49) 200—70	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
Ste Cecile is a beautiful white slightly blushed lavender blending to a pale yellow throat. Opens 5 florets that are recurved and needlepointed. Looks like one of the very best.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—
<b>TWEEDLEDUM</b> (Van Voohis 38) 265—85	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
This small decorative rose red with yellow blotch is fine for arrangements and for the shows. Very popular.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—
<b>WEDGEWOOD</b> (Fisher 47) 366—80	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
Waxy ruffled blue-lavender gem which opens 5 medium size florets. One of the most beautiful glads. Truly a color marvel. Exceptionally healthy. If you buy only one glad, make it Wedgewood.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—
<b>YELLOW BIRD</b> (Kuhn 46) 210—80	2	.25	3-.25	5-.25	Pkg.	.25
Certainly the finest yellow miniature. Opens 10 florets on a 15 to 18 bud spike. The color is medium yellow without markings.	10	1.00	.70	.40	—	—



## **STANDARD ONE PRICE VARIETIES**

The following popular varieties are being grouped this year at one standard price, to enable our customers to select these varieties without looking up prices separately. Those listed below are priced as follows:

**Large 10 for \$1.00    Medium 10 for 60c    Small 10 for 35c    Bulblets 25c Pkg.**

**ABIGAIL** (Myers 44) 466—75

A fine, tall lavender. Resembles Minuet in color. Opens 8 well-placed blooms. A good increaser and one of the best cut flower lavenders on the market today.

**ANTIETAM** (Snyder 48) 454—90

A beautiful deep glistening red with a velvet appearance. Opens eight good facing, well attached 4½ inch florets with good substance on a 20 bud, 25 inch flowerhead with all remaining buds showing color.

**ARANJUEZ** (K. & M. 48) 522—90

Fine clear orange, with cream throat. Tall, straight spike with 6 wide open florets. An outstanding glad that has been overlooked by most. Try Aranjuez.

**ARIADNE** (Mitsh 37) 401—86

A creamy-white with a striking red blotch. This is one of the oldest ones in catalog and is a real beauty. Was greatly admired at the Binghamton show.

**AUREOLE** (Pruitt 49) 410—80

Beautiful light yellow, opens 6 to 8 heavily ruffled well placed florets on a tall 16 to 20 bud spike. A real nice cut flower that should become very popular.

**BEAUTY'S BLUSH** (Fisher 47) 440—85

A cool soft, blushing pink that has a lot of sparkle. Has tall, stiff, wiry stems, and will open 7 flat well attached florets on an 18 to 20 bud spike.

**BENJAMIN BRITTEN** (K. & M.) 366—80

A deep toned lavender approaching light purple. The 4½ inch florets are well placed on a 6 foot spike. Am sure that it will be very popular as it is ruffled and attractive.

**BETTY'S CHOICE** (Harris 45) 460—85

Ruffled, rosy-mauve with a cream blotch. Petals are edged with cream. This glad builds a tall spike and opens six. Is really very beautiful, a wonderful cut flower. Be sure to try it.

**BETTY DUNCAN** (Benedict 49) 422—85

Clear orange with golden throat. Tall willowy stem with 6-8 open on a nice head. Certainly one of the best orange glads.

**BIRCH RED** (Rich 45) 552—90

Large pure deep red. Its sparkling beauty, purity of color, habits and vigorous growth place it at the head of its class. Opens 7 on a 19 bud spike.

**BLUE BEAUTY** (Pfitzer 36) 476—75

One of the best blues, both for show and commercial use. A tall strong grower that is very early.

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### **BOUTON D'OR** (DeBruyn 50) 412—80

Very deep yellow that opens 8-10 ruffled blooms on a tall spike. This has won quite often the past two seasons. Should become very popular.

### **BRIDESMAID** (Wheeler 45) 540—80

Large pink with cream throat that has six inch blooms and is a very consistent grower of good spikes.

### **BUCKEYE BRONZE** (Wilson 40) 490—90

A very outstanding bronze with orange shading. Has outsold all other novelties. Opens 6 to 8 on good spikes. I am sure you will like it.

### **BUCKEYE QUEEN** (Beardmore 45) 430—90

Beautiful tall pink. Slightly ruffled, with 18 bud spikes, opening 6 to 8 well-placed florets at a time on a good flowerhead. Wonderful grower and keeper.

### **BURMA** (Palmer 43) 564—88

This past season it won at most of the largest shows. In my opinion it is getting better each season. A very deep rose-red, with 6 wide open blooms that are very heavily ruffled.

### **CARNIVAL** (Butt 47) 437—85

A bright scarlet with clear white throat. Straight tall spikes with 10 open. Blooms are well placed on an 18 bud spike. One of the best blotched varieties.

### **CHAMOUNY** (Baerman 38) 362—85

A cerise rose with a silver edge on all petals. Opens 10 on a long flowerhead, and is a distinctive color. Wonderful cut flower, always in demand by florists.

### **CHARLOTTE ANN** (Lins 47) 490—75

Beautiful ruffled chocolate with a red throat. This is a tall grower that opens 6 well placed florets. Garden visitors select this as one of their favorites. Order early as stock is limited.

### **CHERBOURG** (Salmon 47) 462—85

An early flowering carmine purple or wine red. Plants grow 5 feet tall, florets 5 inches across with 8 open. Placement is good on straight strong stems.

### **CHIEF PONTIAC** (G. V. Snyder 48) 524—85

Bright orange scarlet, almost self color. It grows up to 60 inches tall. Always straight with 6 large well placed blooms open on a 19 bud spike. Color certainly not pleasing.

### **COL. W. G. ATKINSON** (Williams 51) 466—51

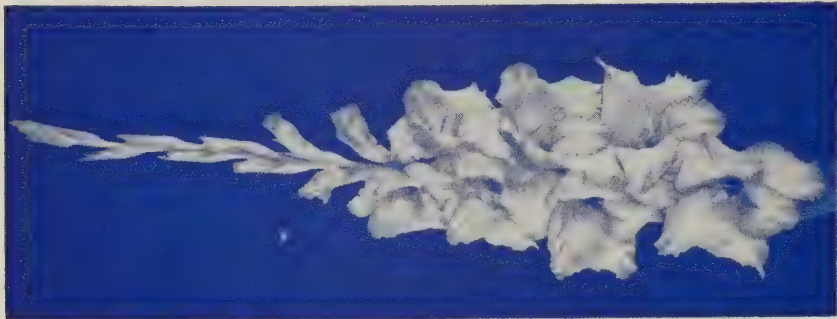
Certainly one of the pleasant surprises of the 1952 season. An outstanding deep lavender that opens up to 8 on a well placed spike. Better try this one.

### **CONNECTICUT YANKEE** (Schenetsky 44) 441—90

Beautiful light blush pink with a rose throat opening 8-10 perfectly placed blooms on a 5" spike. Has an outstanding show record and the florists can't get enough of it. Medium propagator. Price now within everyone's reach.

### **COTILLION** (Butt 48) 545—85

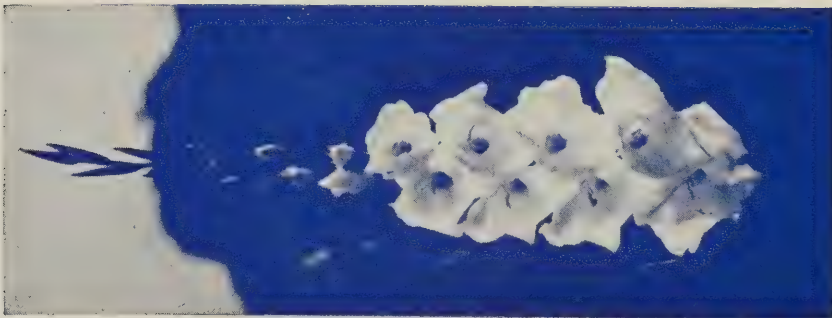
Deep pink with a creamy throat. Opens ten perfectly placed florets. Tall grower with 25 inch flowerheads, 18 to 20 buds. Has 5½ inch slightly frilled florets. Hard to beat this in the shows.



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### **DAISY MAE** (Lins 45) 521—90

Beautiful orange-pink with a cherry throat blotch. Opens 8 large blooms on a tall 18 bud spike. One that is a wonderful commercial and show glad.

### **DANNY DANTON** (Kaylor 46) 452—80

A deep ruby-red with a deeper throat blotch. It will be first come, first served on this one as I have never been able to supply the demand. A beautiful color.

### **DEBORAH SAMPSON** (Scheer 37) 440—85

One of the strongest growers producing long flowerheads with 10 well placed blooms open at a time on a 22 bud spike. Color is a delicate pink and buff. Another fine variety.

### **DIEPPE** (Hassel 45) 436—85

Deep salmon-red with a darker blotch. A very beautiful and distinctive color. Opens 7 to 9 large well arranged blooms on a good spike. Very popular glad.

### **DR. FLEMING** (Salman 47) 442—85

Salmon pink that makes fine spikes. Florets are ruffled with 6 to 8 open on a well balanced spike. Good commercial.

### **DOROTHY ARMSTRONG** (Beardmore 48) 470—70

This is the earliest and certainly one of the best purples. Eight wide open 4½ inch florets on long flowerhead. This is a one hundred percent cutter of good spikes. Due to be a heavy show winner and an outstanding cut flower.

### **DUSTY MILLER** (A. C. Elliott 45) 486—85

One of the very best new smokies. Color is old rose with light red blotch. A good grower. I recommend Dusty Miller and feel sure you will like it. Made a big hit at the Conn. show.

### **ELIZABETH THE QUEEN** (White 41) 56—86

Beautiful lavender with darker lines in the throat. It has large ruffled blooms with 8 open, and is one of the most beautiful glads grown. Our stock of this is without doubt one of the best in the country, for it seems to grow taller.

### **EVANGELINE** (Palmer 48) 540—92

Beautiful light pink. Opens 8-9 huge nicely ruffled blooms on a long head. It is a tall healthy grower but most always blooms are poorly placed. A heavy show winner.

### **FAIRYLAND** (Kadel 50) 342—85

Heavily ruffled medium rose with a small throat mark of a deeper shade. It opens six 4" florets with 6 more showing color on a 16 bud spike. Very good for arrangements. Good commercial.

### **FIRE GLEAM** (Jack 49) 436—80

Large exhibition type fiery scarlet with heavy white line on a darker lip. Heavily ruffled with 8-10 open on tall spikes.

### **FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE** (Harris 47) 400—88

Marvelous glistening white, 68 inches tall. Opens 6 to 8 well placed florets on a 21 bud spike. Florets are 5½ inches across. Without a doubt the best white for both show and cut flower purposes.

### **FRIENDSHIP** (Fisher 49) 442—70

Lovely shade of pure pink. The pink blends to a waxy cream throat. Certainly one of the most beautiful varieties and a wonderful cut flower. Very early.

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### **FLYING FORTRESS** (Wilson 43) 586—93

Light smoky grey with small red blotch, opens up to 14 very large blooms. Often called King of Smokies. One spike is a bouquet in itself. Subject to poor placement.

### **GENE** (Farrington 49) 410—72

Beautiful intensely ruffled medium yellow that opens 8 well placed florets. This is one that all lovers of ruffled glads should have. Very good cut flower.

### **GEN. EISENHOWER** (Salman 48) 542—85

A brilliant begonia-rose which grows up to 60 inches tall. Opens 8-10 large blooms that are often 7½ inches across. Very popular name and should become a popular glad.

### **GLORIOSA** (Preyde 52) 440—85

A fine rosy pink with a lighter throat. This one grows tall with 6-8 well placed florets opened on strong spikes. This should become popular.

### **GLOW** (Howell 46) 420—70

This is a luminous salmon-orange which is bright toward the throat and grows 52 inches tall with a 24 inch flowerhead. It opens 7 or 8 blooms at a time and is one of the florists favorites.

### **GOLDEN ARROW** (D. S. Pruitt 47) 510—85

Clear light yellow that grows 60 inches tall. The 5½ inch florets are firmly attached to a strong spike of 18 buds. Bulblets are large and grow up to No. 1 bulbs. Should become popular.

### **HAPPY END** (K. & M.) 337—70

Orange scarlet with creamy yellow blotch on lower petals. The stem is tall, wiry, upright and the medium size florets are firmly attached. The placement is excellent. Very early.

### **HARRY HOPKINS** (Salman 47) 462—85

Wine red with slight purple glow, this one was fine here this past summer. Grew tall and straight with 6-8 open on every spike. 100% cutter.

### **HIGH FINANCE** (Wilson 40) 582—95

One of the leading smoky glads. It is a tall orange-grey with a cream throat. It is a paler version of the older Mother Machree.

### **HIGH LIFE** (K. & M.) 376—80

Early light blue with a deeper throat. Opens 6 blooms on a slender spike. This is a good early cut-flower, with some crooking.

### **HOSTESS** (Harris 44) 430—80

A lovely shrimp-pink with white blotch. Has good spikes with good placement. Sold out early last year in Canada and stocks are still limited. One for all cut flower growers to raise.

### **INVICTUS** (Pacific Bulb Co. 42) 441—70

Invictus is white turning toward a vivid pink near the heart of the flower and climaxed by a large scarlet throat. It is one of the first spikes to bloom. Tall grower making 100 per cent good spikes.

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### **JO WAGENAAR** (K. & M. 49) 452—88

A very rich brilliant deep red with a white line on the lower petal. This is a tall grower with perfectly placed florets. It is a healthy grower and vigorous propagator. It is slightly ruffled. Looks good.

### **KENWOOD** (Lins 43) 452—80

A pure red that opens 6 five and one-half inch blooms on a tall spike. The blooms are well attached and open wide and are of good substance. This glad is a very good propagator and opens well after cutting.

### **LADY ANNE** (Buchanan 47) 400—67

In my opinion the best early white. It is better than Texas. Opens 7 lustrous and ruffled 6 inch florets on a 27 inch flowerhead. One of the best new varieties. Don't miss LADY ANNE.

### **LANCASTER** (Palmer 44) 470—85

Large clear dark purple with 8 to 10 ruffled blooms open on a tall, straight spike. Grows 5 feet tall. A sure winner in its class when well grown.

### **LEADING LADY** (Johnson 42) 506—87

A white sport of Picardy that is the leading glad today. It has won all kinds of Championships. Spikes are tall with 8 large blooms open and well placed. Don't miss growing Leading Lady.

### **MANCHU** (B. L. Palmer 45) 513—80

Very tall, contrasting deep orange and yellow. Opens 8 on a 20 bud spike. Its one fault is that the blooms are not always well balanced, but it is different and makes a hit with all the visitors.

### **MARSHAL MONTGOMERY** (Salman 48) 554—85

Certainly one of the finest dark reds. A shining deep maroon red. Large wide open florets on a tall straight spike. One of those varieties you love on sight.

### **MID AMERICA** (Knierim 47) 550—85

Huge deep red exhibition glad. Opens 8 well attached florets on a long spike of 24-26 buds. The florets are well attached to a long flowerhead often reaching 33 to 36 inches.

### **MIGHTY MONARCH** (Butt 46) 552—88

An exceptionally strong growing variety with a deep red velvet glow. Opens 6 or 7 huge florets on a long 20-26 bud flowerhead. A very heavy show winner.

### **MISS WISCONSIN** (Kreuger 43) 462—90

There is no competition for this rose glad. It opens 6 to 8 five inch florets on good spikes. A wonderful show glad. One that growers are buying in large quantities. One of my favorites.

### **MODERN TIMES** (Salman 48) 462—75

Crimson purple or reddish rose, same as Boulogne, and a better glad in my opinion. Tall and straight on long spikes with 6 to 8 open. Good grower.

### **MORNING KISS** (Hulsebosch 48) 500—85

Good tall clean white with faint markings in throat. Very tall spikes with 6-8 open. Very dependable commercial variety.

### **MOUNT INDEX** (Miller 42) 401—68

The perfect flowering white. Exquisitely formed florets are firmly attached and placed on very tall spikes. Opens 8. One of the best commercial glads.



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### **MYRNA FAY** (Lins 42) 466—70

An attractive medium shade of lavender, often flecked deeper. Opens 8 to 10 on a medium tall spike. It blooms well from all sizes and is extra early.

### **NANCY** (Arnett 49) 452—88

A dark carmine-red or deep rose. This received a very high rating in 1950 at the Valleevue Test Gardens. One that I recommend you get a start in as it is a wonderful show and cut flower glad.

### **NILA** (Pruitt 47) 462—85

If you like the dark ones, I am sure you will like Nila. A tall dark red that opens 7-9 round well placed blooms on a 18 to 20 bud spike. Grows tall and straight.

### **NUBIA** (Chase 48) 452

Dark, almost black-red. Grows 54 inches tall with 22 inch flowerhead of 18 buds, with 7 open and 8 showing color. Wide open florets that are well placed.

### **NUGGET** (Chase 47) 410—90

Strong grower that we have had good reports on. Clear light yellow self, that opens 6 to 8 well placed florets on a 20 bud spike. One of Mr. Chase's best.

### **OCTOBER SUNSHINE** (Quackenbush 47) 420—85

This glad will become a leader because of its beauty. The color blends from orange to a golden yellow throat. It opens from 5 to 6 recurved florets on an 18 bud spike with 8 showing color.

### **OKLAHOMA** (Wilson 45) 386—90

Another "WHAT A GLAD" color marvel that holds a spell over all who see it. It is a pinkish-lilac or lavender-grey with a cream throat. It opens seven on an 18 bud spike with perfect placement. Grows about 50 inches tall.

### **ORANGE GOLD** (Marshall 45) 422—80

A wonderful glad of golden-orange shade. Will open 5 large round florets on a tall spike. Among the best of the new glads and really will win your approval.

### **PARTHIENA** (Hitchcock 49) 568—80

A striking deep mauve-lavender. Will open 8-10 on a 55 inch spike with a long flowerhead. The 5½ inch blooms are perfectly placed and are ruffled and fluted. Sensational show winner, winning top awards. Healthy and fast increaser.

### **PASTERLINE** (Kolb 49) 540—95

Very tall grower, in fact as tall as they come, a true giant that opens 6 on a long flowerhead. The 5½" florets are well placed. Recommend you try this one.

### **PATROL** (Palmer 46) 416—77

Clear apricot with yellow throat that opens 8 with 8 more showing color. Tall grower with long flowerhead. Outstanding show variety.

### **PATRICIAN** (Sheer 47) 566—87

Beautiful colored lavender that is inclined to have short flowerheads. Florets are round, wide open with perfect placement. A tremendous propagator.

### **PERDITA** (Grout 48) 317—90

More of a buff that is being passed off as a yellow. Ruffled and opens 10 with 7 more showing color. Has scarlet throat markings. Should be a good commercial.

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### **PHARAOH** (Higgins 50) 530—90

One of the strongest growing glads, a salmon pink with slight markings. Opens 8 large well placed florets on good tall spikes. Has won Grand Championship and will win in its class easily.

### **PICARDY** (Palmer 31) 530—90

This well known glad is a beautiful light salmon-pink. Has not been offered for the past five years, but now have a healthy strain of this glad that will produce marvelous spikes.

### **PINK LACE** (Jack 46) 560—83

Beautiful soft light carmine rose, with 6-8 large florets open on a good spike. The florets are heavily ruffled. Nice for arrangements and cut flower use.

### **POLYNESIE** (K. & M. 49) 430—90

A pure salmon, deeper than Picardy, with yellow throat and salmon blotch. Very good texture. Opens up to 10 on tall spikes, should be able to take the place of Picardy because of its good health and habits.

### **RED CHARM** (Butt 39) 452—85

Medium deep red opening up to 6-8 on a tall spike. One of the best glads. You should be sure to grow this one. One of the most consistent growers.

### **REDOWA** (Butt 47) 552—85

Bright scarlet-red with darker red throat, enhancing its beauty. Tall grower of 55 inches with 27 or 28 inch flowerheads of 18 to 20 buds. Florets are 5 inches wide, with 7 to 9 open. Heavy show winner this past season.

### **RED WING** (Wright 48) 436—85

A pure scarlet-red with a small feather deep in the throat. Opens 8 perfectly placed florets on a 22-24 bud spike. The 5½" florets are firmly attached on a 32 inch flowerhead. Wonderful commercial and a heavy show winner.

### **RED CHERRY** (Roberts 46) 436—70

This has been moved into the scarlet class where it belongs. A brilliant cherry red with a deeper throat. Opens seven large blooms, on a tall spike. This is one of the finest reds, certainly the best early red.

### **RHETT BUTLER** (Kuhn 47) 336—70

Brilliant orange-scarlet—the first in this color to bloom. Opens 6 to 8 on an 18 to 20 bud flowerhead. Because of its earliness, it will become very popular as a cut flower.

### **ROSA VAN LIMA** (Pltzer 40) 460—80

A fine light rose-pink. A very good grower and one of the best cut flowers.

### **SALMAN'S GLORY** (Salman 47) 507—80

The best from Europe in some time — a supreme beauty and a giant. Pure light cream with carmine blotch. Opens 6 well placed florets. One of the very best. Attracts a lot of attention.

### **SANDMAN** (Butt 41) 486—85

Sandman is exceptionally beautiful for a smoky. Its glistening old-rose color is embellished by a clean-cut reverse-blotch and cream midribs. Stock is limited.

### **SHEHERZADE** (K. & M. 51) 541—80

Creamy pink with a strawberry blotch. It opens 8 heavy texture florets on a medium tall spike. Good color combination and a lot of our customers like it.



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### **SHERWOOD** (D. S. Pruitt 48) 570—80

A wonderful shade, rich reddish purple, that opens 7 beautiful ruffled florets. Some flecking but does not detract from its beauty. One of the best in this class.

### **SIBONEY** (Allen 48) 566—90

A giant lavender, somewhat darker than Elizabeth The Queen. Opens 6 to 8 on a 22 bud spike. Has won championship honors at leading shows and is a wonderful variety for florists. **BETTER GET A START IN SIBONEY.**

### **SKYLARK** (Palmer 48) 523—80

Brilliant deep salmon-orange with midribs of bright yellow. Opens six or more on a 50" spike. Very showy variety that has a lot of admirers.

### **SPIC & SPAN** (Carlson 46) 442—80

A tall ruffled pink that opens up to 10 with 8 more showing color. The placement is excellent and the spikes are tall and straight. Has won many championship awards and is a fine commercial. You can't afford to be without this.

### **SPOTLIGHT** (Palmer 44) 413—80

Without a doubt the best deep yellow of recent years. Has a pronounced scarlet spot in the throat. Produces tall straight spikes with 18 buds. Opens 6 well placed blooms. A dandy show and commercial variety.

### **STORMY WEATHER** (Barrett 47) 480—82

A grand light-toned smoky that has been a favorite for many years. Smooth rosy-grey with some tan or salmon tints and a creamy throat. 8-10 open on tall, straight willowy spikes. An extra nice smoky.

### **THEMESONG** (Klein 47) 570—80

Mallow purple with a cyclamen blotch. Tall straight spike with 7 or more slightly hooded florets open. An unusual color.

### **TIVOLI** (K. & M.) 440—90

A beautiful warm tone pure pink that opens 8 on a good spike. One of the best of the new glads from Europe. A pleasant surprise awaits you when you grow Tivoli.

### **TRAILS END** (Ficht 49) 562—85

Deep lavender rose with a creamy yellow throat. Has 7-8 extra large frilled florets open on a medium spike. Certainly one that rates the word beautiful.

### **VENIDA** (Milo 47) 460—88

It is my opinion and also the opinion of many other growers that this is one of the most beautiful glads. It is a beautiful rose color shaded with lavender and has a big cream blotch. Grows 50 to 60 inches tall with up to 28 buds.

### **UHU** (K. & M. 46) 482—85

Unique color. Uhu reminds me of a lobster before cooking. A dusty brown which is a fine smoky. Stem is medium tall. Vigorous grower that never crooks. Opens 7 well placed florets. This sells itself on sight.

### **UNCLE TOM** (Salman 49) 554—90

Striking deep maroon opening 8 on a tall spike. This looks like one of the best in the dark shades. Better try this one as I am sure you will like it.

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### **WAR PAINT (Kadel 47) 436—85**

Opens 10 medium size florets on a 22 bud spike. It grows up to 55" tall and has a 27 inch flowerhead. Certainly the best in its class. Winner of Home Achievement Award medal and other top awards.

### **W. H. HOSMER (Hatch 49) 466—80**

Beautiful rose-lavender with a large cream lip. Opens 8-12 on a 19 bud spike with good placement and attachment. Was a stand out in 1952. Good increaser and a fine grower.

### **WHITE GODDESS (Roberts 48) 500—80**

Creamy white that opens 7 heavily ruffled florets on a tall spike. This is a heavy show winner having been best in the show quite often. Fast propagator which should make a good commercial.

### **YANGTZE (Harris 41) 312—87**

A deep empire yellow of good size. A first class grower that is very popular in Canada. This is one of the best low priced yellows. Very fine.



## **FOR A PAGEANT OF COLOR IN YOUR SUMMER GARDEN THESE GLADIOLUS COLLECTIONS CANNOT BE SURPASSED!**

### **RAINBOW COLLECTION**

Our selection of varieties, a rainbow of color, in at least 30 varieties. The same variety if bought under label would cost considerably more. In fact you could not get a better display of glads at any price.

Large Bulbs — not labeled.	50 for \$2.75;	100 for \$5.00
Medium Size Bulbs—not labeled.	50 for 1.75;	100 for 3.00

### **DARK COLORED ASSORTMENT**

Each year people ask us for an assortment of all dark shades, so this year we have this collection for them. It will consist of reds, scarlets, purples, violets, smokies, etc. Am sure they will please you.

Large Bulbs — not labeled.	50 for \$3.50;	100 for \$6.00
Medium Size Bulbs—not labeled.	50 for 2.00;	100 for 3.50

### **LIGHT COLORED ASSORTMENT**

This collection will consist of pinks, lavenders, whites, roses, yellows, etc. If you have a desire for more of a certain color please mention it and we will act accordingly.

Large Bulbs — not labeled	50 for \$3.50;	100 for \$6.00
Medium Size Bulbs—not labeled.	50 for 2.00;	100 for 3.50

### **OUT OF THE ORDINARY COLLECTION**

In the past four years this has been our most popular collection which consists of the newer and better varieties in a good color range. Most are heavy show winners. This collection would cost at least \$20.00 and more per 100 if bought under label.

Bulbs 1¼ inch and up—not labeled.	50 for \$5.50;	100 for \$10.00
Same collection in Medium Bulbs.	50 for \$3.50;	100 for \$6.00

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## WHOLESALE PRICES — NOT PREPAID

Prices indicated are per 100 F.O.B. Plainville, Conn. Not less than 25 of a size and variety at the 100 rate; 250 or more at 1,000 rate. For 1,000 rate multiply 100 rate by eight.

Bulblets sold 1 Pt. at quart rate.

When ordering 100 or 200 of the smaller sizes No. 5 and No. 6, parcel post is much cheaper than express. If you wish them shipped this way please add sufficient postage.

### — ALL BULBLETS SOLD BY DRY MEASURE —

	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	½ Pt.	Qt.
ABIGAIL .....	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.25	1.25	4.00
ADORABLE .....	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	6.00	20.00
ALICE AYER .....	8.00	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50	7.50
AMERICAN BEAUTY .....	10.00	8.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	6.00	20.00
ANDRENA .....	—	12.00	10.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	6.00	20.00
ANN SHERMAN .....	50.00	40.00	30.00	25.00	20.00	15.00	25.00	75.00
ANTIETAM .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.50	4.00
ARANJUEZ .....	—	—	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	2.00	6.00
ATATURK .....	8.00	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	9.00
ATOM .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.50	7.50
ATTITASH .....	25.00	22.00	18.00	16.00	12.00	8.00	8.00	25.00
AUREOLE .....	—	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.50	4.00
BENARES .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	3.00	10.00
BETTY DUNCAN .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	2.00	7.00
BETTY'S CHOICE .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	3.00	9.00
BLACK CHERRY .....	24.00	21.00	18.00	15.00	12.00	9.00	8.00	25.00
BLAIR MARGUERITE .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	—	—	—	3.00	10.00
BLUE BEAUTY .....	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
BLUE BONNETT .....	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	6.00	20.00
BUCCHERINI .....	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	6.00	20.00
BOLDFACE .....	—	—	10.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	8.00	25.00
BO-PEEP .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	2.00	6.00
BOUTON D'OR .....	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	—	—	1.00	3.00
BRIDAL ORCHID .....	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	5.00	15.00
BURMA .....	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.25	1.75	1.25	1.25	4.00
CALEIDOSCOPE .....	24.00	21.00	18.00	15.00	12.00	9.00	8.00	25.00
CARNIVAL .....	7.00	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.50	2.00	2.50	7.50
CATHERINE .....	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	—	—	6.00	18.00
CHERBOURG .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	—	—	—	1.25	4.00
CHIEF PONTIAC .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	—	—	—	2.00	7.00
COACHMAN .....	20.00	17.00	14.00	11.00	9.00	7.00	8.00	25.00
COL. W. ATKINSON .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	4.00	12.00
CONN. YANKEE .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.50	5.00
CONNIE G. .....	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	3.00	6.00	18.00
DAISY MAE .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
DANNY DANTON .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	—	—	1.50	5.00
DARK DAVID .....	32.00	28.00	24.00	20.00	16.00	12.00	15.00	35.00
DEBORAH SAMPSON .....	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00	3.00
DOLLY VARDEN .....	20.00	17.00	14.00	11.00	8.00	6.00	10.00	30.00
DOROTHY ARMSTRONG .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.50	5.00
DUSTY MILLER .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	—	—	—	1.25	4.00
ELIZ. THE QUEEN .....	5.50	4.50	3.00	2.25	1.75	1.25	1.25	4.00
ELMERS ROSE .....	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	8.00	25.00
FAIRYLAND .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	2.00	6.00
FALCON .....	14.00	12.50	10.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	8.00	25.00
FIRELIGHT .....	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	6.00	20.00



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	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	½ Pt.	Qt.
FLICKER .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	2.00	6.00
FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
FLYING FORTRESS .....	6.00	5.00	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.50	5.00
FRANCESCA .....	48.00	42.00	36.00	30.00	24.00	18.00	40.00	120.00
GENE .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
GIANT CYCLAMEN .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	—	—	—	1.25	4.00
GLAD TIDINGS .....	96.00	84.00	72.00	60.00	48.00	36.00	50.00	150.00
GLORIOUS .....	7.00	5.50	4.50	—	—	—	2.00	6.00
GOLD .....	32.00	28.00	24.00	20.00	16.00	12.00	15.00	50.00
GLOW .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	—	—	—	1.25	4.00
GOLDEN ARROW .....	5.00	4.00	3.00	—	—	—	1.25	4.00
GOLDEN DAWN .....	—	—	10.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	8.00	25.00
GRACYS CHOICE .....	64.00	48.00	40.00	—	—	—	—	—
GREY SUMMIT .....	—	—	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	3.00	10.00
HAROLD K. ....	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	6.00	20.00
HARRY HOPKINS .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
HIGH FINANCE .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
HIGH LIFE .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
HILDA LANGE .....	12.00	10.00	8.00	—	—	—	3.00	10.00
HILLCREST .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.50	5.00
HUGH PRICE .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	—	—	—	2.00	6.00
JACK FALLU .....	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	—	—	3.00	10.00
JENNY LIND .....	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	—	—	3.00	10.00
JO. WAGENAAR .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	2.00	6.00
KAREN .....	128.00	110.00	95.00	85.00	75.00	65.00	75.00	250.00
KING DAVID .....	32.00	28.00	24.00	20.00	16.00	12.00	15.00	50.00
LEAH GORHAM .....	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	—	—
LANCASTER .....	—	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.50	4.50
LEIF ERICKSON .....	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	8.00	25.00
MADELINE HEFTY .....	12.00	10.00	8.00	7.00	6.00	3.00	3.00	12.00
MAJESTIC .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	—	—	—	2.00	6.00
MALLOW .....	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	8.00	25.00
MARATHON .....	12.00	10.00	8.00	7.00	6.00	4.00	3.00	12.00
M. MONTGOMERY .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	6.00
MELBOURNE .....	32.00	28.00	24.00	20.00	—	—	10.00	—
MESA MIST .....	64.00	56.00	48.00	40.00	32.00	28.00	30.00	90.00
MID AMERICA .....	8.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	3.00	9.00
MIGHTY MONARCH .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	—	—	—	2.00	6.00
MODERN TIMES .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
MOTHER FISCHER .....	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	10.00	35.00
MRS. R. G. ERREY .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	6.00
MT. INDEX .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
MYRNA FAY .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	—	1.25	4.00
NANCY .....	—	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	—	1.25	4.00
NEW YORK .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.50	5.00
NOWETA ROSE .....	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	8.00	25.00
OKLAHOMA .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
ORANGE GOLD .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
OSTRICH FEATHER .....	8.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	3.00	9.00
PALETTE .....	8.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	3.00	9.00
PASTERLINE .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	—	—	—	2.00	—
PATROL .....	8.00	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	9.00
PERDITA .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	—	—	—	2.00	6.00
PHARAOH .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	2.00	6.00
PINK LACE .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	3.00	9.00
PINK PRIDE .....	96.00	84.00	72.00	60.00	48.00	36.00	50.00	150.00
POLYNESIE .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	2.00	6.00
RED CHARM .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
ROBERT ALAN .....	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	8.00	25.00
ROBERTA RUSSELL .....	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	5.00	15.00
RODNEY .....	10.00	8.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	5.00	—

SEND YOUR ORDER AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. PLEASE SUGGEST ONE OR TWO  
SECOND CHOICES WE MAY SEND IF SOLD OUT OF ANY VARIETIES.

# BIRCHVILLE GARDENS

PLAINVILLE, CONNECTICUT

Amount Enclosed \$.....Date.....

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REMARKS:



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	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	½ Pt.	Qt.
ROSE CHARM .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.25	4.00
ROSITA .....	70.00	65.00	50.00	40.00	30.00	25.00	30.00	90.00
ROYAL ROBES .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	—	2.00	6.00
RUTH ANN .....	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	6.00	20.00
SANS SOUCI .....	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	6.00	20.00
SCARLET GIANT .....	14.00	12.00	10.00	—	—	—	3.00	10.00
SHEHEREZADE .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	3.00	9.00
SHERWOOD .....	—	4.50	3.00	2.25	1.75	1.25	1.25	4.00
SHIRLEY IRENE .....	22.00	18.00	15.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	25.00
SIBONEY .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	—	—	1.50	5.00
SIERRA SNOW .....	25.00	20.00	16.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	12.00	40.00
SILCHERLIED .....	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	5.00	15.00
STE CECILE .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	3.00	9.00
STERLING .....	20.00	16.00	12.00	9.50	8.00	6.00	4.00	12.00
STORMY WEATHER .....	8.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	15.00
SUNDAY BEST .....	8.00	6.00	4.00	3.00	—	—	3.00	9.00
THE RAJAH .....	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	8.00	25.00
TWEEDLEDUM .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.50	5.00
UHU .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.50	5.00
UNCLE TOM .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.50	5.00
VALDA .....	—	48.00	43.00	38.00	30.00	25.00	20.00	60.00
VENIDA .....	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.50	2.00	6.00
WAR PAINT .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	6.00
W. H. HOSMER .....	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	6.00
WHITE GODDESS .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	2.00	1.50	1.50	5.00
YANGTZE .....	5.50	4.50	3.50	2.75	—	—	1.25	4.00



## BULBLET SPECIAL

Your selection of the following: Any 4 varieties, all different \$3.50  
8 for \$6.00. All over 8 at 75¢ each.

The number of bulblets of each variety is listed before the variety name.

40 Aloha	60 Falcon	60 Palette
100 Andrena	8 Fort Knox	60 Parade
40 Ann Sherman	30 Francesca	30 Peach Glow
40 Black Cherry	60 Gail	40 Pennant
120 Blue Bonnett	12 Glad Tidings	15 Pink Pride
5 Blue Devil	15 Gracy's Choice	30 Poinsettia
80 Boise Belle	10 Heirloom	12 Prairie
50 Bonnie Lass	75 Jenny Lind	12 Red Feather
100 Bridal Orchid	25 Judy Ann	35 Rosita
60 Caleidoscope	7 Karen	60 Shirley Irene
50 Captain Kidd	60 King David	60 Sierra Snow
60 Chinook	7 King Size	7 Truly Fair
80 Coachman	12 Lavender Joy	15 Valda
50 Columbia	8 Look	12 Valentine
60 Dark David	100 Madeline Hefty	20 Vanity Fair
60 Daybreak	60 Mallow	12 Violet Charm
15 Dixie Maid	4 Margery	10 White Excelsior
75 Dolly Varden	40 Melbourne	7 Whistle Stop
12 Edith Warr	30 Mesa Mist	65 Winona
60 Elmers Rose	60 Mother Fischer	12 Wonder Boy

## **CULTURAL HINTS**

Packages of bulbs must be opened as soon as received and the bulbs stored in a cool, dry place until planting time.

**PLANTING DATES.** Any time from early Spring until the first of July. The blooming season can be prolonged until frost if planted at intervals of three weeks.

**WHERE TO PLANT.** Glads should be planted in open, sunny places, away from buildings and trees. They are primarily cut flowers and should be planted in rows such as a vegetable garden.

**SOIL.** Glads will grow in any kind of soil but do best in a sandy loam. The soil must be well drained. It pays to spade deeply.

**FERTILIZING.** The amount to use will depend upon the fertility of your soil. Any good commercial fertilizer will give good results or you can ask your dealer for the fertilizer commonly used on potatoes in your locality. Most growers prefer the fertilizer in the bottom of the trench as the bulbs are planted. Care must be taken to see that the fertilizer is mixed with the soil and then about 2 inches of soil placed over the mixture. The bulbs should then be set in the row, leaving the 2 inches of soil between them and the fertilizer.

**DISINFECTING.** All bulbs and bulblets should be dipped in disinfectant in order to kill Thrip and to prevent possible disease infection on the bulbs. Nothing will cure bulbs affected with any of the rots. Bulbs showing rot should be discarded at once. (See formulas for Dips and Sprays.)

**PLANTING.** Plant from 3 to 6 inches deep. Small bulbs should be planted about 3 inches deep and larger sizes up to 6 inches deep. If you have a heavy clay soil 4 to 5 inches will be deep enough. The bulbs should be set not closer than 4 inches apart in the rows and the soil must be firmed well after planting.

**WATERING.** Glads need plenty of moisture. To produce top bloom they should have 1½ to 2 inches of water per week. Whenever the natural rainfall fails to supply this quantity be sure to put it on in the form of irrigation. It is best to water just once or twice a week, soaking the soil well, so that the roots are not pushing upward to the surface of the ground.

**CUTTING BLOOMS.** Glads are the most popular cut flower grown today. To enjoy them at their best the spikes should be cut when the first floret is in full bloom. They should be placed in water at once and taken indoors to develop slowly. You can enjoy a spike a long time as a good variety will open every bud to the tip, in water. If the water in the vase is changed daily and about an inch of the stem is cut off (slantwise) each day, many varieties will keep for as long as a week. When cutting the spike always leave 4 leaves on the plant to develop the bulb for the following year.

**DIGGING.** Bulbs should not be dug until about 6 weeks after blooming, in order to mature the bulbs. A good sign is to watch the foliage and when it begins to turn brown, dig at once. After the tops are cut off, close to the bulb, dry the bulbs in the air in trays or boxes. It is best not to allow the sun to shine directly on them while drying. After 2 or 3 weeks of drying the old bulb and roots can then be removed. DO NOT remove the husks as this protects bulb during storage.

**STORAGE.** After drying, the bulbs must not be exposed to freezing temperatures. The ideal storage temperature is 38 to 45 degrees. Bulbs should not be placed too deeply in the boxes as they need air while in storage.

When you get ready to store your bulbs, be sure to give them a light dusting of 5% D.D.T. This will eliminate any danger of thrip feeding on your bulbs during storage period. Glads are easy to grow and anyone, even a beginner, can grow the finest show flowers!

## **FORMULAS FOR DIPS AND SPRAYS**

### **LYSOL DIP**

- 4 tablespoons of Lysol
- 3 gallons of water
- or
- 1 pint of Lysol
- 25 gallons of water

Soak bulbs in the Lysol solution for at least 3 hours and no longer than 6 hours; soak bulblets overnight or 12 to 14 hours. After bulbs or bulblets are removed from the solution, allow to drain for 30 minutes and plant same day as treated, preferably while still wet.

### **BICHLORIDE OF MERCURY**

- 1 oz. Bichloride of Mercury
- 7 gallons of water

Soak 10 to 12 hours immediately preceding planting. Plant wet. Must be used in an earthen or wooden container.

### **NEW IMPROVED CERESAN DIP**

- 1 ounce New Improved Ceresan
- 3 teaspoons Grasselli Sticker or 3 teaspoons Dreft
- 3 gallons water

To get a good preparation easily and quickly, mix the Ceresan and wetting agent together, add a little water at a time, and stir until a uniform mixture is obtained. **DO NOT USE THE HANDS WHEN STIRRING.** Soak bulbs in the solution 15 minutes, stirring several times during the treatment; soak bulblets for 30 minutes. After bulbs or bulblets are removed from the solution, allow them to drain for about 30 minutes and plant **IMMEDIATELY**. A delay in planting can cause injury to the bulbs. If the ground is dry at planting time, I suggest the Lysol treatment instead of N.I.C. as dryness can cause a considerable delay in germination or growth besides possible injury to the bulbs.

### **THRIP SPRAY**

- 2 ounces Tartar Emetic
  - 2 ounces brown sugar
  - 3 gallons water
- Mix well and spray weekly after the foliage is in third leaf.
- or
  - ½ lb. DDT. (50%)
  - ½ pint liquid soap (Germicidal)
  - 25 gallons of water

For small plantings the following DDT spray is reported as giving good results:

- 1 rounded teaspoonful DDT (50%)
- ½ teaspoonful Dreft
- 1 gallon water

**DUSTING**—The easiest and most efficient means of controlling Thrip is to dust the foliage of the plants with 5% D.D.T. Many types of dusters are available and one can be obtained to suit your size planting. Begin dusting when plants are in third leaf and continue about every two weeks. If this is done you can say goodbye to Thrip!

**CAUTION:** Bichloride of Mercury, Lysol, New Improved Ceresan, Tartar Emetic, and DDT are poisonous and care should be taken in handling and storing these.



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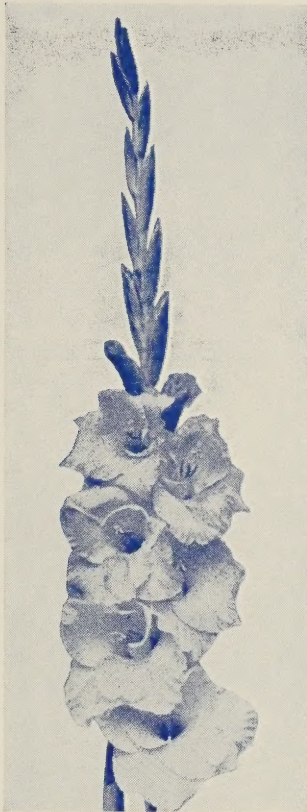
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